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JAPAN GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO RECONSIDER

Brussels, To-day.

The present pause in the Brussels Conference, according to British and American circles, is designed to give Japan an opportunity to reconsider her policy.

Majority of the delegates to the Conference are fully aware of the magnitude of the responsibility that would rest upon their shoulders in the event of measures being taken for terminating the Far Eastern conflict.

Yet, in view of the second Japanese reply, it is felt that further delay is now impossible, and that a start must be made in placing an embargo on the supply of arms and ammunition, and also raw materials, to Japan.

These measures, it is insisted, will not be the outcome of any secret agreement between the powers signatories to the Nine-Powers Treaty but will be discussed at the next session of the Conference.—Trans-Ocean.

HENLI RIVER CLASHES

Nanking, To-day.

Chinese reports claim that fighting along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway is going on in the vicinity of Chingyangkang, on Henli River, after Chinese evacuation of Kiating and Taitsang.

The main body of the Japanese forces, advancing north-west towards Kashing, on the Soochow highway, are stated to be held up at Kashan, where the Chinese forces have pushed east to Pinghu.—Reuter.

JAPANESE LAND REINFORCEMENTS IN HANGCHOW BAY

Shanghai, 2 p.m., To-day.

THE Japanese advance on Soochow has at last been halted. The situation on the battlefront has changed in complexion in the last 24 hours, with the Japanese finding increasingly stiffening resistance as they approached the new Chinese defence line, finally to be brought to a standstill.

Large-scale hostilities have not commenced. The Japanese are moving up more and more troops into the battle zone and it may be several days before they can organise an offensive on the scale sufficient to carry through to Soochow.

The only heavy fighting is taking place on the Chinese right flank, where General Chang Fat-kwei is holding on stubbornly to Kashing, official Japanese communiques admitting that all attempts to take the city have broken down.

The fresh troops from Japan which were landed on the Yangtsze bank above Liuho, compelling the Taitsang withdrawal, have now formed contact with the Japanese columns moving forward from Taitsang and are joining the forces massed in front of the Chinese defence lines before Soochow.

HANGCHOW BAY REINFORCEMENT

It is reliably reported that further landings on a large scale have been made in the Hangchow Bay area, which is now presenting a sterner problem than the Japanese command had anticipated and these troops are advancing on Pinghu which has been re-occupied by Chinese forces.

Sharp fighting is now occurring near Pinghu and at points along the Soochow-Hangchow railway.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHINESE CROSS YELLOW RIVER IN SHANTUNG

Nanking, To-day.

THE Chinese forces on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front have withdrawn south of the Yellow River and are now holding the south bank of the river, having blown up the railway bridge.

The Chinese press gives prominence to a report that one battalion of Chinese troops launched a surprise attack on the Japanese aerodrome at Hantang, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, on Monday night.

The Chinese are reported to have destroyed six Japanese planes and exploded stocks of gasoline and bombs.—Reuter.

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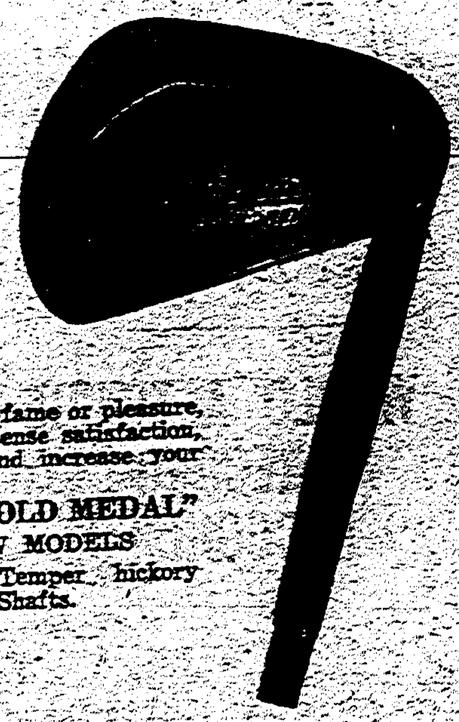

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Some Hints For Knitters

Here are some ideas for those who are busy putting the finishing touches to knitted or crocheted jumpers, suits or frocks.

Do not feel despondent if your knitting has worked out on the slant — it can be corrected in the pressing. Take each section and pin it right side down on to a thick blanket. Use plenty of pins and be sure to get the central line straight.

Then place a damp cloth over and with a hot iron proceed press — not gliding, as this will encourage wrinkles.

PRESSING

Should your knitting be in ribbed or fancy pattern, press lightly. A professional who knits rapidly and without creasing her work will avoid pressing the ribbed portions altogether. After the first pressing and when the covering cloth is practically dry, press a second time with a cooler iron, then remove the cloth and leave the sections still pinned on the blanket to remain until they are dry. This is rather an important tip.

MAKING UP

The task of making up is just as important. Take each section and lay it on a table. These should fit perfectly if the ironing has been correct. Thread a needle with the same wool as that used for the knitting, and overcast the seams lightly together, making a stitch in every row of knitting. Notice that the tension of your overcasting stitch is in the same ratio as that of the knitting, otherwise the elasticity of the seam will be lost. Should you be adding a puff sleeve to a frock or jumper, it is better to sew this into position before overcasting the side or under arm seams. After this a final light pressing of the seams is necessary. Then hang the garment on a coat hanger until it is quite cool.

EMBROIDERY

All embroidered articles should be pressed face downwards on a thick blanket. Press evenly over a cloth, without gliding. If your embroidery has been worked on a canvas background, place it face downwards and press over a damp cloth. If the work is a little out of the straight, this is the moment when it should be corrected.

Take a clean piece of white blotting paper, larger than the actual embroidery, lay on a flat drawing board or table, and with a pencil and ruler draw the shape the finished work should assume upon the blotting paper. Damp the canvas back of the work, lay it face downwards on the blotting paper, and pin it with drawing pins — corners first, then sides, allowing no wrinkles to form and adjusting the corners if necessary.

HOW TO PACK

Don't, of course, put the pins through the embroidery itself, but along the edge of the surplus canvas. Leave the embroidery taut in position for at least 24 hours.

The best way to pack this form of work is to roll it round a tube of cardboard, and since stool tops and fire screens are to be sent in unmounted, it would be tidier to turn in the edges of the canvas or finish them with a woollen braid in order to give them a more professional look.

YOUR HANDS

Here is a worthwhile hint for making your hands and arms beautiful. Scrub them briskly with soap and hot water, and don't be scared if they get a little bit red.

Now, mix together some hot olive oil and castor sugar to form a creamy paste. Work this in with firm rubbing movements, especially round the elbows and the top parts of the arms.

Leave this on for ten minutes and then wash off with warm soapy water. This treatment loosens off dry skin, the oil in it feeds the skin, and the rubbing stimulates the circulation—hence the velvety tingling after-feeling.

FRANCES DAY.

LONG ODDS ON MANCHESTER NOV. HANDICAP

London. To-day.

The following is the latest call-over on the Manchester November Handicap, to be run on November 27:—

100 to 8 Marcus Superbus offered 100 to 7 taken

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22 to 1 Madeira Knight offered 25 to 1 taken

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WORLD ALTITUDE RECORD RECOGNISED

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that the Royal Aero Club has been officially informed that the altitude flight of Flight Lieutenant M. J. Adam, Royal Air Force, in June last in a Bristol 138 monoplane with a special British Pegasus engine, had been homologated by the Federation Aeronautique Internationale as the world high record in Class C. The official figure is 16,440 metres.—British Wireless.

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Geraldo & His Orchestra.
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The One Rose (Lyon & McIntyre).
Have You Forgotten So Soon (Gilbert & Nicholls)
Sam Browne.
Accordeon Nights, Medley
Geraldo & His Accordeon Band.
The Never-To-Be-Forgotten Melody—Fox-Trot (from 'Seeing Stars').
The Gaucho—Rumba (from 'Under the Pampas Moon').
Geraldo — His Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Czech Philharmonic Orchestra and Marta Eggerth (Soprano).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press; Local Weather Report and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Relay of the Rotary Tiffin Speech from the Roof-Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. Speaker: Mr. L. W. Tipple Subject: 'The High Speed Diesel Engine in Modern Transport.'
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Dance Music.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
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Concert Study In D Flat Major
Egon Petri (Piano).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—London Relay—'Sailing the Red Sea.' 'The Adventures of a 32-foot Ketch' by Dwight Long.
8.15 p.m.—Studio—Doreen Ma (Vocal) and H. L. Ozorio (Piano).
8.45 p.m.—Light Variety.
Piano and Vocal—No Regrets (Tobias-Ingraham).
Miracles Sometimes Happen (Noble-Murray).
Leslie Hutchinson.
Vocal—Druary Lane Pantomime Memories ..... Columbia Light Opera Company.
9 p.m.—London Relay—A Recital on the New Organ from Westminster Abbey, London, by Dr. Ernest Bullock.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Kreisler (Violin).
Liebesfreud (Kreisler).
Liebesleid (Kreisler).
Rondino (On a theme by Beethoven).
Fair Rosemary (Kreisler).
10.05 p.m.—Songs by Kirsten Flagstad (Soprano).
Im Kahne, Op. 60, No. 3
(Krag-Grieg).
When I Have Sung My Songs
(Charles).
Songs My Mother Taught Me, Op. 55, No. 4 (Dvorak).
10.15 p.m.—Elgar—Symphony No. 1 In A Flat Major, Op. 55. Played by the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.
11 p.m.—Close down.

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8.15 a.m.—Big Ben, Recital by Montague Brearley (Australian Violinist).
8.35 a.m.—'Palace of Varieties.'
9.35 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 a.m.
9.55 a.m.—'Empire Exchange,' Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies.
10.10 a.m.—Recital of Scots Songs.
10.30 a.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 2

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben, Fred Hartley and his Sextet.
11.15 a.m.—The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.
12 Noon.—'Sailing the Red Sea: The Adventures of a Thirty-two-foot Ketch.' A talk by Dwight Long.
12.15 p.m.—'Baker's Dozen.' A selection of oddments in revue form.
12.50 p.m.—Dance Tunes of 1930.
1 p.m.—Recital by Dr. Ernest Bullock, on the New Organ in Westminster Abbey.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—
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GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)
GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s
2.15 p.m.—Big Ben, 'Tess of the d'Urbervilles — A Pure Woman,' faithfully presented by Thomas Hardy. Part 11.
3.5 p.m.—Irish Concert.
3.30 p.m.—'At the Black Dog', Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour.
4 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—'Keyboard Music through the Ages'—7: Schubert (1797-1828)—Schumann (1810-1846). Frank Laffitte (Pianoforte).
4.45 p.m.—'World Affairs.' A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.
5 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN BROADCAST

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H.K.T.
1.10 p.m.—Merry notes.
3 p.m.—News.
3.30 p.m.—Gypsy Baron—Strauss.
6 p.m.—Light music.
8 p.m.—News and economic review.
9.15 p.m.—An hour with the film.
10.15 p.m.—Germany to-day.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Opening Leads At No Trump

At no trump the defenders' primary object is to establish a long suit and cash the long suit winners. Therefore, almost without exception, you should open your longest and strongest suit, even when it is headed by a tenace such as ace-queen or king-jack.

The best long suit to open is a five card or longer suit. It is not so important to open a suit of only four cards, since at best you can establish only one long card. The gain from establishing this one additional winner may be more than offset by the loss of leading from a tenace into declarer's honours in that suit, which you could, perhaps, have captured had you waited for him to lead the suit.

TO-DAY'S HAND

"Dear Mr. Culbertson: Knowing that you are interested in clever defensive plays I am enclosing a hand that, in my opinion, contains one. Mind you, I do not claim there was anything sensational about the play, but it seemed to all the contestants that East deserved credit for having found the one loophole in an otherwise impregnable contract. This was the hand:

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
S.—J 10 9 3
H.—A J 10 8 6
D.—8
C.—A 7 5

WEST	EAST
S.—A 2	S.—8 7 5
H.—9 5 4	H.—7 3 2
D.—J 10 9 7 2	D.—A 6 5 4 3
C.—Q 8 6	C.—K 2

SOUTH
S.—K Q 6 4
H.—K Q
D.—K Q
C.—J 10 9 4 3

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 club	Pass	1 heart	Pass
1 spade	Pass	3 spades	Pass
3 no trump	Pass	4 spades	Pass
Pass	Pass		

"West opened the jack of diamonds. East won with the ace and, after considerable thought, laid down the club king. Dummy's ace won and a trump was led, West winning with the ace. The queen and another club then gave East a ruff for the setting trick.

"Do you not think that East deserved credit for his courage in laying down the club king in the face of dummy's ace and South's previous club bid?

"Yours very truly,
"H. T. L. Birmingham, Ala."

East's play was the best at his command and, as such, deserves honorable mention, just as every correct play merits approval. I am afraid, however, that the success of the club king lead depended not so much on its inherent shrewdness as on the amazing naivete of the declarer. Surely it would have required little vision on declarer's part to realise that a club ruff by the opponents was imminent, and just as surely he had available to him a counter measure of utter simplicity.

After winning with the club ace it would have been an elementary safety play to return to the South hand with a heart honour, the only quick method, and to lay down the diamond queen, on which a club would be discarded from dummy. Then the defenders should just *try* to get a club ruff! Dummy's high spades would be a barrier against any ruff except by the trump ace, which would, of course, be perfectly all right with declarer.

I hope no reader will think I am adopting a supercilious attitude toward East's defensive play, but the fact remains that the contract was ice cold under proper handling.

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question: The contract is four hearts. Partner bid spades. What is my correct opening lead with: S.—A Q 5, H.—8 7, D.—Q 8 6 4, C.—K J 9 6?

Answer: The spade ace.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"Lawyer Man."—William Powell, Joan Blondell, Helen Vinson, Alan Dinehart, Allen Jenkins and Sheila Terry. The merry tale of a lawyer who took his cases to the court of sex appeal.

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AT THE MAJESTIC—"Dangerous" with Betty Davis and Franchot Tone.—the return of an old Favourite.

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AT THE QUEEN'S — "Robber Baron", with Edward Arnhold, Gary Grant, Frances Farmer and Jack Oakie. Based on the life of Jim Fisk this picture is a gripping and entertaining dramatic romance, its high emotional appeal being its love theme, the courting of fascinating Josie Mansfield by a financier.

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AT THE ORIENTAL—"The King and the Chorus Girl"—Swift, amusing Puritanian romance with a fascinating new star. Fernand Gravet, Joan Blondell, Edward Everett Horton, Alan Mowbray, Mary Nashs Jane Wyman, Luis Alberni.

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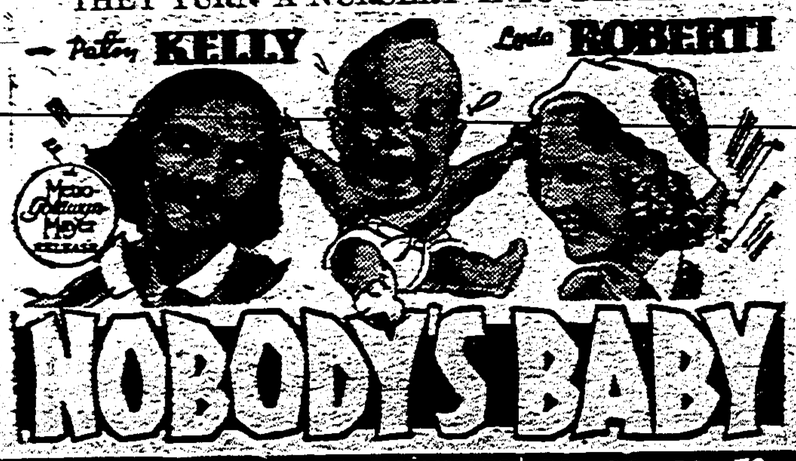

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OPERATIONS OF LOCAL GANG OF FORGERS

Tam Wai-ming, a shroff employed at the Netherlands Indies Commercial Bank was this morning sentenced to four months' imprisonment by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy when he pleaded guilty to the theft of $5,400 while a servant of the bank and with conspiracy with others in the theft. On the charge of possession of four $500 notes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation knowing the same to be forgeries, he was sentenced to another two months.

Mak Sing-chui, unemployed shoemaker, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment when he was found guilty of conspiring to defraud the bank by forging a draft.

Sub-Inspector Whant, said that on November 4, after business hours, it was found that there was a discrepancy in accounts of $5,400 and that the European and compradore departments' accounts did not agree.

The following day, defendant gave a boy of the Chinese staff Mess at Queen Victoria Street, a letter to be delivered at an address at Wanchai. The boy was unable to find the person, opened the envelope and found it to contain notes of large denominations. He had heard of the loss at the bank and informed officials. The envelope contained $3,500. Defendant was arrested and a further $100 was found on him and also the forged notes.

Defendant, said Inspector Whant, would say how he came to meet a gang of forgers through the introduction of the second defendant and how it was decided that he was to steal a draft from the bank which would be altered. The second defendant was not aware of the other's arrest and when he came to look for him at the bank was told that he was ill. He was arrested when visiting the staff quarters looking for first defendant.

VISIT TO CANTON

Tam Wai-ming, in the witness box, stated that he knew the second defendant many years ago. He had not again met him until recently. He was introduced to him by a man who knew he wanted to get in touch with some one who had forged notes. He wanted to get forged notes as he was not on good terms with the chief cashier and wanted to pass the notes to him. Second defendant in turn introduced Tam to Lai Min, keeper of the Foon Yuen Money changer shop, who told him that he knew a man who had really good forged bank notes. There were several meetings and a month later Lai invited first defendant to go to Canton. The gang met at the White Palace Hotel in Canton and Tam handed over four $100 notes, in exchange for four forged $500 notes. Under artificial light the notes appeared good forgeries but next morning he was disappointed about them and told Sam Sui, the man who had sold him them, so. The latter refused to have them back. Some time later, Tam was introduced by the gang to a man named Ng Tung at the Empress Hotel and the methods of altering drafts were gone into. On November 4 by prearrangement Tam went to the Boston Cafe and there handed Ng Tung a draft for $250, drawn by an American Bank on his bank. That was at 10.15 in the morning. A little after one o'clock one of the gang rang up, asking Tam to wait at the side door and the second defendant came soon after with an envelope containing the draft which had been altered to $5,400. Knowing the routine of the office, defendant was able to cash the draft.

He was to receive 80 per cent of the swindle while the balance was to be divided among the rest.

Evidence was also given by the boy who had delivered the letter at Wanchai, and the watchman who caused the second defendant to be arrested when he came to look for Tam.

PRAISE FOR GERMAN ROAD ACHIEVEMENTS

Berlin, To-day.

The Inspector-General of German Highways, Dr. Todt, will visit London to-day (Tuesday) at the invitation of the British roads delegation which recently studied the new German highways.

Occasion for Dr. Todt's visit is opening of the Public Works and Traffic Exhibition.

The deputation of British Members of Parliament and representatives of the automobile industry and others who recently visited Germany to inspect the State Motor Highways have now returned to England.

Sir Stenson Cook, secretary of the delegation, made a statement to press representatives expressing his admiration for the new German motor roads.

He said that, although he was not entirely instructed with regard to the steps which had so far been proposed in Great Britain, one thing was obvious, namely, that the policy so far pursued would have to be radically changed, and that pressure would be brought to bear upon the government.

The British delegates, he continued, might differ with regard to the way in which German technical achievement could be reproduced in England, but there were nevertheless important points wherein all were agreed.

England should be equipped with two-way streets, crossing should be avoided, the surfaces should be smooth and the curves should be banked.—Trans-Ocean.

DOLLAR LINE EMPLOYEE BOUND OVER

Chang Fat, employee of the Dollar Steamship Company who was charged last week with the embezzlement of U.S.$945, the equivalent of $3,100 while in the employ of the company again made his appearance before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, and was bound over in a personal bond of $500 for one year.

Detective-sergeant Davis said that the money had all been refunded and neither the Police nor Mr. T. B. Wilson, manager of the Company, were pressing the case. Defendant had lost his job now, and intended to return to Honolulu where he hoped to start afresh.

Sergeant Davis added that defendant confessed to the offence, and had ample time to abscond if he had wished.

HALIFAX VISIT TO BERLIN "PRIVATE AND UNOFFICIAL"

London, To-day.

The Lord President of the Council, Lord Halifax, will leave London for Berlin this afternoon.

Although the visit is entirely private and unofficial, Herr Hitler has intimated, after enquiry, that he will be glad to see Lord Halifax during the visit and the invitation has been accepted.

Conversations between Lord Halifax and the Fuehrer will be purely exploratory in character. Information regarding the arrangements for the visit, which were in train before the Foreign Secretary left London last week, was communicated by him to the French Minister, M. Delbos, while in the Belgian capital.—British Wireless.

Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council, who is leaving for Berlin to-morrow for an interview with Herr Hitler, following Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Edinburgh invitation to a further examination of Europe's political difficulties.

MORE RESERVE

London, To-day.

A general tone of something approaching reserve is maintained by the British press on the visit to Germany of Lord Halifax, following the outspoken comment of the Nazi news agency.

The papers say that Mr. Neville Chamberlain is anxious to have the visit take place, and attribute great importance to the Chamberlain-Eden-Halifax talks on Sunday, when it was decided that the visit should take place "under all circumstances."

CHIEF DUTY

"Mr. Chamberlain regards the planned conversations as a step towards mutual understanding," writes the "Daily Telegraph," which adds: "Lord Halifax's chief duty will be to determine the exact causes of the present unsatisfactory relations between Germany and Britain."

While doubting if the visit will have concrete results, the journal states that it will at least give both countries a chance to become acquainted with the attitude of the other.

CONCILIATORY ATTITUDE

The "Daily Mail" also emphasises the conciliatory British attitude, declaring that Mr. Chamberlain is willing to discuss any colonial suggestion advanced by Germany.

The paper asserts, however, that Mr. Chamberlain would like a German promise to return to the League of Nations.

Any return of Germany to Geneva, says that paper, would have to include removal of the war guilt clause from the League Covenant and the devising of a new Mandates system.

TALKING FACTS

The only aggressive attitude is that of the "Daily Express," which headlines its story on the visit "Nazis Give Lord Halifax a Hint to Stay at Home."

In a short article, the paper says: "If Herr Hitler is not willing to talk facts, Lord Halifax should remain at home, because after all it is Herr Hitler who wants something and not Britain."—Trans-Ocean.

CHINESE MISSION REACHES ROME

Rome, To-day.

A Chinese mission composed of Dr. Ching Chei-tsu, Dr. Ling Hing-ping and Mr. Chi Kuang-wang, arrived in Rome from Shanghai yesterday.

Object of the mission is unknown in Chinese circles here but as it is reported that the trio is later going to Berlin, the visit may be connected with the suggested Italo-German mediation in the Far Eastern conflict.—Reuter.

WAZIRISTAN DENIAL

London, To-day.

The Under Secretary for India denied in a Commons answer that there has been any change in the character of air action in Waziristan since it was described in a White Paper in June.—British Wireless.

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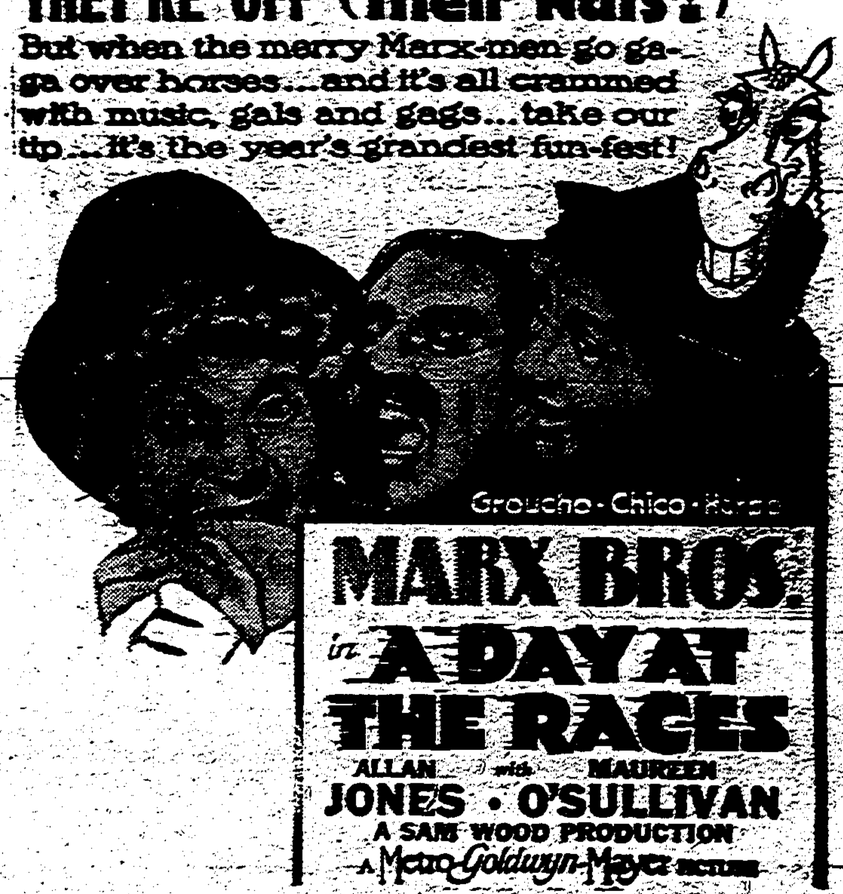

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KURDS SENTENCED TO DEATH

Istanbul, To-day.

Twelve death sentences were passed yesterday on leaders of the recent Kurd uprising.

Five of the sentences were la' commuted to life imprisonment in view of the great age of accused but the other prisoners, including Sheikh Riza and two of his sons, were publicly hanged yesterday evening.—Trans-Ocean.

The B. I. s.s. Shirala will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on Friday at 10.30 a.m.

TEN DYSENTERY DEATHS

There were ten deaths out of 29 cases of dysentery reported to the local Health Authorities in th week ended midnight on Saturday.

In the same period there wer also nine cases of diphtheria (three deaths), nine of typhoid fever (five deaths) and two of cholera (one death).

In the 24 hours ended midnight on Monday there were five cases of dysentery, three of diphtheria, two of typhoid fever, and one of cerebro-spinal fever.

ARAB-JEW CONFLICTS IN PALESTINE CREATING GRAVE ATMOSPHERE

Jerusalem, To-day.

Tension between Jews and Arabs in Palestine has reached a point reminiscent of the blackest days of 1936.

Bombs could be heard exploding in Jerusalem and Jaffa all night, although the amount of damage and casualties in outlying sections has not yet been determined.

Jerusalem has assumed the aspect of a beleaguered town, with armoured cars patrolling the deserted streets and military patrols with rifles at the ready.

The first military courts will sit on Thursday, and in case death sentences are passed, it is feared that demonstrations wil lead to further trouble.

The authorities are believed to be prepared to place the whole of Palestine under a state of emergency and martial law.—Trans-Ocean.

"FOREIGN AGITATORS"

Jerusalem, To-day.

Four "foreign agitators" were yesterday expelled from Palestine by the mandate authorities.—Trans-Ocean.

JEWISH REPRISALS

Yesterday morning's incidents in Jerusalem, which included the firing of shots at two Arabs in a Jewish suburb, both being wounded, one fatally, and the shooting in another Jewish suburb of two Arabs, one of whom was shot dead, and the second seriously wounded, give an impression of being of the nature of reprisals, undertaken by the more irresponsible elements with the idea of taking the law into their own hands.

Such an interpretation is not discredited in some well-informed circles in Jerusalem.

NEW REGULATIONS

It may be hoped that with the coming into force of the new regulation, all sections of the population will remember that the suppression of disorder is the function of the authorities.

A second incident occurred in the shooting of Jews, of whom one has since died.

Two Arabs were also slightly injured by stones.

Later in the morning an Arab omnibus passing through a Jewish suburb came under heavy fire. Three Arab passengers, one man and two women, were fatally wounded. Two Jewish girls standing nearby were slightly wounded. —British Wireless.

POLITICAL DISORDERS IN CAIRO

Cairo, To-day.

An attack on the Blue Shirt leader, Bilal, who was seriously injured, led yesterday to further violent incidents in the course of which the Dean of the Faculty of Science of Cairo University and several students were severely injured.

The Blue Shirts, who form the semi-military organisation of the Ward Party, attacked four clubs of opposition parties.—Trans-Ocean.

ARAB STATES UNDER BRITISH PROTECTORATE

Cairo, To-day.

Negotiations are now going on for foundation under British protectorate, of a Confederation of Arab States on the Persian Gulf, according to the Cairo newspapers.

It is stated that the proposed Confederation, which would include Kuwait, the Sultanate of Muscat, the Emirate of Bahrein and the Sheikdom of Qatar, would be bound by treaty to Britain but would have the right of entertaining independent relations with other States.

This development, according to the reports, aims at overcoming difficulties frequently encountered in the discharge of their duties by British political advisers and consular officials in Arab States in that region. —Trans-Ocean.

CLOUSTON AND MRS. GREEN'S CAPE FLIGHT

Cairo, To-day.

Exactly an hour after bringing their De Havilland Comet to rest on the airfield here, Flying-Officer Clouston and Mrs. Betty Kirby Green hopped off for Portum, the next stage in their flight to Capetown.

The two fliers who left Croydon shortly before 10 p.m. on Sunday in an attempt to break the each way Cape flight record, are flying the same Comet in which Scott and the late Campbell Back won the Mildenhall to Australia race three years ago, and aim to complete the double journey by Saturday night.

After a short rest at Portum, they will take off for Broken Hill, in North Rhodesia, and expect to reach Capetown some time this evening (Tuesday).—Trans-Ocean.

The British Transport Dilwara left Singapore for Hong Kong and Shanghai on November 15 (yesterday) and is expected to arrive here next Saturday, November 20.

CHINA TO STAND ON FUSHAN-SOOCHOW LINE

Heavy Troop Concentration

JAPANESE EXPECT BREAK THROUGH QUICKLY

Nanking, To-day.

The Chinese troops on the Shanghai-Nanking Railway are at present concentrating in the vicinity of Soochow, according to Chinese reports.

The left flank is holding positions in the vicinity of Kashing and Kashan.

Chinese forces in the Kashing area are under the command of the famous Chinese commander, General Chang Fah-kwei, known as the leader of the "Ironsides," who recently defended Pootung.

The second line of the Chinese defence is in the vicinity of Wusih, on the shores of Taihu Lake.—Reuter.

JAPAN COUNTING CHICKENS

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese troops, after their success at Shanghai, are rapidly advancing on Nanking.

That is the picture of the hostilities round Shanghai which is being painted by the Japanese press, which says that Soochow will fall at any moment now.

The papers say this would mean that one of the most carefully constructed lines in the defence of Nanking would be broken through. — Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai, To-day.

Japanese headquarters have been removed to Nantao from Kiangwan. — Trans-Ocean.

TAIHU BATTLE

Shanghai, To-day.

The Taihu Lake area is on the verge of becoming the major battlefield of the Chinese and Japanese armies, as the left wing of the Chinese forces, after withdrawing from Taichong and Quinsan, has swung into prepared positions near Changshu in an effort to check the furious Japanese drive, according to Chinese reports.

Brisk engagements are in progress at several points along both the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow railways.

Chinese reports say that the bitterest battle is taking place near Pingwang and Wangkiangchin, along the Kashing-Soochow section of the railway, where a strong Japanese column is said to be making a desperate bid for Kashing and a foothold along the railway itself.—Reuter.

ARMADA IN THE YANGTSZE

Shanghai, To-day.

Sixty-eight Japanese warships are now anchored at the mouth of the Yangtse in the neighbourhood of Nantung.

It is surmised in consequence that more Japanese troops will shortly be landed there.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE CONFIDENCE

Tokyo, To-day.

Commenting on the situation in Central China, the "Asahi Shimbun" predicts the early occupation of Nanking by the Japanese forces.

The paper declares that academic discussion which tends to inflame and instigate ill-feeling, avails nothing in eliminating the real cause of unrest in the Far East and settling the Sino-Japanese conflict.

The newspaper urges the Japanese nation solidly to unite and tenaciously pull through until a settlement is accomplished in conformity with the actual realities of the situation. — Reuter.

GERMAN DENIAL OF JAPANESE REPORT

Shanghai, To-day.

The Domei News Agency reported recently that Dr. Hans Luther, former Chancellor of Germany, made the following declaration to the press at the Consulate General in Tientsin:

"Germany will work in close collaboration with Japan in order to realise the economic development of North China."

This report is most emphatically refuted by official German quarters in China. It is stated that in course of the interview nothing of this kind was discussed, and that the report therefore is to be considered as pure invention of a propagandist nature. — Trans-Ocean.

FAIR WEATHER

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that the anti-cyclone continues to be stationary and is regaining intensity.

Pressure is highest over Manchuria and is relatively low in a trough extending from the Visayas to Yap.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

THOUSANDS OF TROOPS PASS THROUGH TSINAN

Tsinanfu, To-day.

Thousands of troops passed through the city yesterday afternoon on their way to the north bank of the Yellow River, where the Japanese are utilising all their strength in their effort to push the Chinese across to the south bank of the River.

Japanese bombers are still repeatedly raiding towns on both the north and south banks.

A Red Cross Unit south of the Yellow River was bombed and machine-gunned while on its way to the front yesterday morning. Not a single member of the unit lived to tell the tale.

Chinese reports coming in shortly after midnight state that the Chinese have blown up a number of iron bridges at several points along the river.—Our Own Correspondent.

TRIAL OF ITALIAN PEASANTS

Rome, To-day.

A special Fascist Tribunal is trying 45 men, mostly peasants, on a charge of anti-Fascist activities. —Reuter.

MAROONED IN RIGGING IN STORM

London, To-day.

A severe storm struck the coast of Nova Scotia yesterday. One schooner was wrecked and the crew had to spend the night on the riggings.

Heavy rain and snow added to the discomfort of the marooned men.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS PROGRAMME

London, To-day.

Sir Samuel Hoare, moving the second reading in the Commons of the Air Raid Precaution Bill, said he did not take the view that there was no defence against air attack. They had got to make the aeroplane of as little danger to the Empire's safety as they had succeeded in making the submarine.

For this they needed a well-balanced programme of coordination, provided by an Air Force strong enough to take the initiative in air fighting, anticipation supported by searchlights and other means of detection, and a system of air raid precautions such as would ensure against panic, and the provision of gas masks to the civil population.

They had evolved voluntary measures on a considerable scale and it was significent that no less than 200,000 men and women had volunteered for air raid precaution work. —British Wireless.

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POINTED DECLARATION APPROVED AT BRUSSELS

Italy Opposes: Scandinavian Countries Abstain

TEXT REVEALS CONDEMNATION

Brussels, To-day.

THE Brussels Conference on the Far East yesterday adopted the draft declaration.

Italy voted adversely, while Norway, Sweden and Denmark abstained, after explaining that they did not oppose the declaration itself but did not wish to vote for the measure.

The Italian delegate stated that the declaration did not tend to facilitate mediation, and the Conference adjourned till 3 o'clock on the afternoon of November 22.

The Swedish delegate regretted the failure of the Conference to find a solution, and added that Sweden accepted in principle the terms of the draft declaration but since they had not many interests in the Far East compared with some other Powers, they had abstained from voting.

The Norwegian delegate spoke in similar terms.

ACCORD WITH PRINCIPLES

The chief delegate of Denmark after deploring that mediation had not met with success, said that Denmark also thought it better to abstain, although she was fully in accord with the principles underlying the declaration.

The chief Italian delegate said that the declaration opened the door not to settlement but to extremely serious complications, and expressed an emphatically contrary vote by Italy, which entirely reserved her attitude towards the future.

Mr. Anthony Eden, the British Foreign Secretary, will probably return to Brussels at the week-end, when he will have an opportunity for further talks with Mr. Norman Davis (United States) who is remaining in Brussels.

COMMON ATTITUDE

M. Yvon Delbos (France) is also likely to return at the week-end, and therefore by the time the Conference re-meets, the Powers will no doubt have a "common attitude" adequately defined.

It is anticipated that the speech of President Roosevelt will also be a contributing factor to this end.

The Chinese delegation, in an effort to encourage the Powers to take definite economic action against Japan, issued yesterday afternoon a twelve-page document summarising Japan's economic dependence on the outside world.

WEAPONS AT HAND

The Chinese argue that a boycott of imports and exports, a blockade or boycott of shipping, and refusal of foreign loans, are all effective weapons at the disposal of the Powers, which might be used against Japan.

The original draft declaration was apparently prepared by the United States delegation, and apart from Italy, there is general agreement among the delegations that its terms admirably express the considered views of the Powers represented at the Conference.

After yesterday's meeting, Dr. Wellington Koo, the chief Chinese delegate, had a long conversation with Mr. Norman Davis.—Reuter.

TEXT OF DECLARATION

Brussels, To-day.

The official text of the declaration was adopted by the Brussels Conference at yesterday afternoon's session by the representatives of South Africa, the United States, Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Canada, China, France, the United Kingdom, India, Mexico, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Portugal and the Soviet.

The text observes with regret that the Japanese Government still contends that the conflict between Japan and China lies outside the scope of the Nine-Power Treaty, and again declines to enter into an exchange of views for the purpose of endeavouring to achieve a peaceful settlement of the conflict.

CONCERN OF ALL

It is clear that the Japanese concept of the issues and interests involved in the conflict is utterly different from the concept by most other nations and governments in the world.

The Japanese Government insists that as the conflict is between Japan and China it concerns those two countries only.

Against this, the representatives of the above-mentioned States consider this conflict the concern of all countries party to the Nine-Power Treaty of 1922 and the Pact of Paris of 1928, and is the concern of all countries members of the family of nations.

SPECIFIED PRINCIPLES

It cannot be denied that in the Nine-Power Treaty the parties thereto affirmed it to be their desire to adopt a specified policy designed to stabilise conditions in the Far East and agreed to apply certain specified principles in their relations with China, and in China with one another, and that in the Pact of Paris the parties agreed "that settlement or solution of disputes of conflicts of whatever nature and origin they may be, shall never be sought except by pacific means."

It cannot be denied that the present hostilities between Japan and China adversely affect not only the rights of all nations but also the material interests of nearly all nations.

HORROR AND INDIGNATION

These hostilities have brought to some nationals of third countries death, to many nationals of third countries great peril, to international communications disruption, to the property of nationals of third countries widespread destruction, to international trade disturbance and loss, to the peoples of all nations a sense of horror and indignation, and to all the world feelings of uncertainty and apprehension.

WORLD SECURITY

The representatives of the above-mentioned States also regard the hostilities and the situation they have brought about as matters of inevitable concern to the countries they represent, and more to the whole world.

To them the problem appears not in terms simply of relations between two countries in the Far East but in terms of law and orderly processes, world security and world peace.

The Japanese Government has affirmed that in employing armed force against China, it was anxious to "make China renounce her present policy."

NO LEGAL WARRANT

The representatives of the above States are moved to point out that there exists no warrant in law for the use of armed force by any country for the purpose of internal regime of another country, and general recognition of such a right would be a permanent cause of conflict.

CONTENTION REJECTED

The Japanese Government contends that it should be left to Japan and China to proceed to a settlement by and between themselves alone, but that a just and lasting settlement could be achieved by such a method cannot be believed.

Japanese armed forces are present in enormous numbers on Chinese soil, and have occupied large and important areas thereof.

The Japanese authorities have declared in substance that it is Japan's objective to destroy the will and ability of China to resist the will and demands of Japan.

THE DIFFERENCE

The Japanese Government affirms that it is China whose actions and attitude are a contravention of the Nine-Power Treaty, yet where China is engaged in full and frank discussion of the matter with other parties to that Treaty, Japan refuses to discuss it with them.

The Chinese authorities have repeatedly declared that they will not, in fact, cannot negotiate with Japan alone for settlement by agreement.

In those circumstances there is no ground for any belief that if left to themselves Japan and China would arrive in the appreciably near future at any solution which would give promise of peace between the two countries, security for the rights and interests of other countries and political and economic stability in the Far East.

INDEFINITE WAR

On the contrary, there is every reason to believe that if the matter was left entirely to Japan and China, the armed conflict, with its attendant destruction of life and property, disorder, uncertainty, instability, suffering, enmity, hatred and disturbance of the whole world, would continue indefinitely.

ESSENTIAL REALITIES

The Japanese Government in its latest communication invites the Powers represented at Brussels to make a contribution to stability of Eastern Asia in accordance with the realities of the situation.

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THE WORLD GOES BY

By "ULYSSES"

THE decision of a judge that sea captains have no power to perform marriages is regarded as having removed one of the perils of the deep.

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Golf is becoming very popular in the army, it is said. Even hardened caddies have been known to shudder on hearing a sergeant-major miss a short putt.

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The mystery of an artificial leg found on an English highway has been cleared up. It was discovered that a pedestrian who was in the habit of carrying a spare had lost it.

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Women have a lot to go through, says a writer. Yes. A man's suit has nearly a dozen pockets.

A book has been written about beer. Doubtless many students will adjust their glasses and dip into the subject.

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Medical men claim that yawning is good for human beings. This explains the robust health of dramatic critics, assuming, of course, their human status.

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An American author has made a list of the world's ten worst writers. A stupendous task.

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Henry Ford denies the rumour that he will retire to a peaceful country cottage. Thanks to his efforts there isn't any such place.

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Many girls catch cold through not wearing enough clothes, says a doctor. They don't care a wrap.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE'S FUTURE

Need For New Premises On New Site

ELOQUENT APPEAL AT PRIZE-GIVING

AN ELOQUENT APPEAL FOR NEW PREMISES ON A NEW SITE WAS MADE BY THE HEADMASTER OF QUEEN'S COLLEGE AT THE ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION HELD AT THE SCHOOL THIS MORNING WHEN GLOWING TRIBUTES WERE PAID TO THREE CHINESE MASTERS WHO ARE RETIRING WITH A TOTAL OF 107 YEARS' SERVICE BETWEEN THEM.

The Acting Headmaster, Mr. W. L. Handyside, in his Annual Report, said that for a school of this kind composed of both Senior and Junior pupils drawn from widely separated parts of the Colony, the attendance has been excellent — 98%.

"This is evidence of our success in eliminating absence on trivial grounds and of the keenness of both parents and boys to take full advantage of all the facilities provided. Our accommodation is strained to the utmost. It is only in exceptional circumstance that we admit boys to any but the lowest classes. Many of the boys admitted to Class 8 have some acquaintance with both written and spoken English, but I doubt very much whether that is an advantage. I think on the whole it would be better if the Vernacular schools concentrated on laying good solid foundations through the medium of Chinese and left instruction in and through English to the schools where there is a staff specially trained and experienced in dealing with the problems involved.

NEED FOR NEW PREMISES

So much has been said from this platform about the necessity for new premises on a new site that reference has become almost a matter of routine. I should, however, be failing in my duty if I did not stress its importance from every point of view. The position of the school is becoming decidedly worse and several of the classrooms are toally unsuitable for school work of any kind. I feel convinced that if they were reported on by the M.O. Schools they would be condemned outright. I agree with Sir Andrew Caldecott that a good tradition is fundamental, but tradition is not everything.

As regards equipment, we have none of the aids to teaching to be found in modern schools—no wireless receiving set, no lantern, or epidiascope or cinema projector. These things are no longer luxuries. The day is long past when all that was required by the teacher was a blackboard, and a few wall maps or pictures to supplement the pupil's school book.

QUEEN'S TRADITION

The tradition of Queen's College is a worthy one; the high esteem in which "the Old Lady of Aberdeen Street" is held by thousands of Chinese who have passed through her portals; the regularity, the persistance in fact with which "Old Boys" demand that their sons shall be educated here; these things are signs that Queen's has served and is serving the Chinese community and an earnest of the reasonableness of their claim for a modern building in a more congenial environment.

We are due to celebrate our Golden Jubilee in 1939. It would be well if the occasion could be commemorated by the Government deciding to grant Queen's College—the oldest provided school in the Colony and one of the oldest and most famous schools in the Far East—with a new home, furnished and equipped in an up-to-date manner.

EXAMINATIONS

Forty-nine boys from Class I entered for the Hong Kong University School Certificate Examination and 47 sat. Of these 28 gained School Certificates or approx. 60%, with 9 distinctions. 18 qualified for Matriculation. This is the last examination of its kind to be held by the University. In future, the University examination at this stage will be for matriculation only, to be taken voluntarily and on payment of their own examination fees by boys in Class 1. We are thus at last free from a School Certificate Examination tied to Matriculation. In this respect we are in accord with enlightened opinion and ahead of prevailing practice in England. These two examinations, whatever their standard, have different aims, the one certifying the satisfactory completion of a given school course; the other, ability to enter upon a higher course of academic study. For this reason it is good that they should be kept entirely distinct.

I feel, however, that I cannot leave this subject without expressing our thanks to the University authorities for their services in the past in acting as impartial judges of our attainment in the various branches taught in school.

The Hong Kong Local Examination Syndicate held its School Certificate Examination this year for the first time. 86 candidates entered and 85 sat. Of these 76 or 89% gained certificates, 9 gained Honours and altogether there were 9 distinctions. This was very satisfactory.

EXPERIMENTAL

The examination was to some extent experimental but all concerned have reason to be pleased. It was what it set out to be—a school examination conducted by the schools for the schools.

I regret that a change has been made in the regulations for next year, making history or geography optional. It is my considered opinion that this is a retrograde step. There are no alternatives to either subject: both are important elements in a good education since each deals with an aspect of life and a phase of knowledge with which it is essential for every educated man and woman to be acquainted if they are to be free from the evil influences of insidious propaganda, chicanery and charlatanism. As matters are now, the only sufficient guarantee we have that every pupil of School Certificate standard has been taught to think and learn the facts about other times and other places, is that he can reach a minimum standard in an examination specially designed for that purpose.

RECRUITING MISTAKE

A further point about this examination. I disagree with its being used as a means of recruiting for the Government Junior Clerical Service. I do so on two grounds: first, it makes the examination a competitive one which no School Certificate Examination should be, and second, it precludes boys in Class 1 already in possession of a School Certificate from making application. It is one thing to make possession of a School Certificate a condition of appointments on the basis of the examination. I approve of the former but not of the latter.

All this may seem trivial in times like these when the fate of nations trembles in the balance; but we are concerned as much with the future as with the present: the boys of to-day are the men of to-morrow; the work of education must go on if the things of real value to mankind are not to perish from the earth.

CHIEF JUSTICE'S SPEECH

Sir Atholl MacGregor said:—

When Mr. Handyside asked me to come here to-day to present your scholarships and prizes I very gladly consented, for I get far too few opportunities of seeing the Chinese youth of Hong Kong at work or at play. I am very happy to be here to-day, but I assure you my happiness is not going to be expressed in a long speech.

There are one or two things, however, that I feel I must say, and I am confident that you too would like me to say them before we part to-day.

I want first of all to congratulate all those who have won scholarships or prizes to-day. I still remember what a thrill it was to me to realise that I had won a school prize, and I congratulate each of them very warmly. I want you all to remember, however, that no prize is worth having unless it takes real effort to win it, and that is where every one of you plays his part. We can't all be prize winners, but we can all work hard and do our best, and in a class where every boy strives to be first and the standard is correspondingly high the prize is really worth winning, and no one need be ashamed of not winning it.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STAFF

Secondly, I want to extend my very hearty congratulations to the Staff. On the conditions under which they work and the lack of equipment which must handicap them all. I need add nothing to what your headmaster has said, but I want to say, and now that I have seen you I can confidently say, that they deserve the highest praise for the results that they have helped you to achieve.

And now I have only one more word to say. Your headmaster has spoken in high terms of the discipline of the school. It is not a pleasant word, and it doesn't quite convey what I want to say to you. When I was a boy at school I think I would have defined discipline as the painful punishment inflicted when I was found out in something that it was often great fun to do. What I mean to-day is something rather different and perhaps I may call it respect for law and order. It doesn't pay in this life to be unruly or selfish. You all know how in your football team the selfish player is not only a nuisance but a useless member of the side. The boy you want there is the boy who will play unselfishly as a member of the team, not wanting to score all the goals himself but striving to do his best in combination with all the other members to ensure the victory of his side. That is a useful lesson throughout life, the lesson of obedience, self control and unselfishness: the lesson that makes a boy obey his parents, his teachers and his elders and in after life all those in authority: that makes him love his country, his family and his friends and find his happiness in a care for the happiness of others. If I thought that anything I have said this morning would impress that aspect of true education on you I would be more than amply repaid for my coming here this morning.

Mr. W. Kay, acting Director of Education, outlined the services of the three Chinese masters, Messrs. Kung Hon, Tse Ching-fong and Liu Hoi Tung, who are retiring, and wished them good health and long life in their retirement.

After Ng Tsing Ting, senior prefect, had associated himself with good wishes on behalf of the school, Mr. Tse suitably replied.

Supporting Mr. Handyside were His Honour the Chief Justice Sir Atholl MacGregor, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Prof. L. Forster, Mr. W. Kay, acting Director of Education, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. C. G. Anderson, president of the Old Boys' Association, Mr. J. F. Grose and Mr. Chow Ping-un.

Others present included Mr. G. E. S. Upsdell, Mr. H. G. Wallington, Mr. D. M. Richards, Rev. H. R. Wells, Mr. White, Mrs. Kay and Mrs. Handyside.

SCHOLARSHIPS, 1937

Senior Morrison Scholarship, Hung Shek Chiu; Intermediate Morrison Scholarship, Ng Kit Man; Class 2 Morrison Scholarship, Li Man Hung; Class 3 Morrison Scolarship, Cheung Wing In; Junior Morrison Scholarship, Li Sik Lam; Stewart Scholarship, Tsoi Hok Kan; Wright Scholarship, Tam Ping Knen; Ho Tung Scholarship, Yau Ka Pok; Ho Kom Tong Scholarship, Au Hung Cho; Ho Fook Scholarship, Chow Shing Cho; Alfred May Scholarship, Li Ping Kai; Senior Belilios Scholarship, B. Ahmed; Junior Belilios Scholarship, Naranjan Singh; Lee Hy San Scholarship, Osman Talip and Wong Wing Kam; Grant Scholarship, Ngai Kwong To; Kong Ki Fai Scholarship, Chow Shing Tak; Tsoi Kung Po Scholarship, Li Man Wa; Lugard Scholarship, Tang Wing Kai; Ho Wing Scholarship, Chow Nai Tsang; Ho Iu Scholarship, Wong Shiu Kwan; Ho Kwong Scholarship, Yeung Sit Lae; Dealy Scholarship, Mok Man Tat; Ralphs Scholarship, Mak Yiu Ho: Ng In Scholarship, Tam Po Shu; Tsang Chung Scholarship, Ng Chi Yui; and Sheung Hing Scholarship, Wong Cho Tsoi.

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SPECIAL PRIZES

"Ralphs" Medal, Hung Shek Chiu.

Machell Memorial, B. Ahmed.

English, Class 1. Tam Ping Kuen, Class 2. Woo Shing Chow, and Class 3. Cheung Wing In.

Woo Lai Woon Translation Prizes:—Hung Shek Chiu, Leung Siu Chun, Tam Ting Kon, Ng Ching Ting, Tang Wing Kai, and Li Sik Lam.

Mathematics, Class 1. Ng Kit Man, and Class 2. Li Man Hung.

Literature, Tam Ping Kuen.

History, Class 1. Tam Ping Kuen, Class 2. Yau Ka Pok, and Class 3. Lo Tak Cheung.

Geography, Class 1. Tam Ping Kuen, Class 2. Woo Shing Chow, and Class 3. Chow Shing Cho and Au Sze Him.

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Chinese Class Prizes:—Yue Shiu Kwan, O Ho Tsing, Ng Ching Ting, Tam Sik Pin, Chan Wing Kwong, Luk Siu Ying, Li Man King, Yeung Chung Fui, Wong Yuk In, Hui Fung Chun, Chu Hing Choi, Lui Sau Pui, Chau Kwan Pui, Ip Chung Pui, Tse Sik Lun, Tang Fook Ka, Yu Cho Min, Tsoi Ping Lam, Chak Fook Yu, Chan Chu Chiu, and Wong Tai Chin.

TEXT OF POWERS' DECLARATION

(Continued from Page 8)

In the view of the representatives of the above States, the essential realities of the situation are those to which they draw attention above.

The representatives of the above mentioned States are firmly of the belief that for the reasons just given, a just and durable settlement is not to be expected of direct negotiations between the parties.

STILL BELIEVE IN MEDIATION

That is why in the communication addressed to the Japanese Government that invited Japan to confer with them or the representatives of a small number of Powers in the hope that such an exchange of views might lead to acceptance of their good offices and thus help towards negotiation of a satisfactory settlement.

They still believe that if the parties to the conflict would agree to cessation of hostilities, in order to give an opportunity for such procedure to be tried, success might be achieved.

The Chinese delegation has intimated readiness to fall in with this procedure.

The representatives of the above States find it difficult to understand Japan's persistent refusal to discuss such a method.

COMMON ATTITUDE

Though hoping that Japan will not adhere to her refusal, the above mentioned States must consider what is to be their common attitude in a situation where one party to an international treaty maintains, against the views of all other parties, that the action which it has taken does not come within the scope of that treaty, and sets aside the provisions of the treaty which the other parties hold to be operative in the circumstances.—Reuter.

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"THE TIMES" AND SHANGHAI

"The Times" is published in London, ten thousand miles from the scene of Sino-Japanese hostilities and may, for that reason, be pardoned its misjudgment of the temper and spirit of the Chinese people in the present crisis. The principal error, apart from the unnecessarily lugubrious survey of the military situation, is the assumption that Shanghai is the war and that the Japanese having taken complete control in the Shanghai area, hostilities are as near termination as Japan may elect to decree. Japan is implored to consider the position as now created, and having gratified a craving for military glory, to make her peace with China on that basis! If we mistake not the purport of the argument, "The Times" assumes that China would run to accept any peace that might be proffered, an assumption that we believe to be as false as we hope is the further implication behind it: that were Japan to rest content with what she has achieved, the Powers might acquiesce in some measure of stabilisation of Japan's ill-gotten gains.

On our own reading of the speeches made at Brussels on Saturday, happily, no such rank betrayal could be possibly found as within the contemplation of any of the statesmen there assembled. They may not have a clear idea of what they are going to do next. But they are far from the stage of any form of consent to Japan's free hand in partitioning China. The rapidity of the retreat from the moment that China's hold on Shanghai was shaken seems to have given an unnecessarily strong picture of military disaster in England. It seems to have been forgotten that no-one, prior to hostilities, imagined that China's power of defence would reveal itself so brilliantly as to be able confine the Japanese military machine to a narrow sector for three months. It seems to have been forgotten that military defeat, withdrawal exacted at a price, has always been accepted as an inevitable feature of China's campaign. It seems to have been forgotten that Chiang Kai-shek has never imagined that his armies could meet the Japanese juggernaut on equal terms. His policy has been to fight, to harass and to challenge, to compel Japan to use up men and munitions, to keep her active in the field spending millions of yen month after month until she wrecks herself economically. The prodigal expenditure so far permitted the Japanese militarists in the belief that they could achieve a quick decision merely means that the process may be speedier than was believed likely when the war began. To give up now, which we believe no-one in Nanking or anywhere else in China even dreams of, would be to make mockery of all the heroism and self-sacrifice that made of the Shanghai operations against tremendous odds a wonderfully creditable page in China's history. If it be true, as "The Times" suggests that Japan will never be nearer to beating China to her knees than she is at present, it would be wise for Japan to call it off as the journal urges, for General Matsui is a very long way from any such accomplishment.

Meanwhile, what of Brussels? Japan again finds herself condemned by an international assembly, but no decisions have been reached. Latest reports indicate that the onus may be thrust upon the United States, as seemed almost inevitable from the beginning. There is, however, no possibility of a repetition of the 1931 fiasco. This time, the United States will be in a position to declare what steps she is prepared to take in the certain knowledge that Britain and France will be alongside in every movement. That throws a great responsibility upon the shoulders of President Roosevelt and Congress. And there can be no certainty of what the response will be. On the one hand, we have the traditional strength of American isolationist opinion and determination for peace. We have various retreats from the Far East, especially the projected withdrawal from the Philippines. On the other hand, American isolationism is being abandoned by realistic and experienced authorities, such as Mr. Hull. Only "little Americans" of the Middle West are unintelligent enough to keep on thinking that complete national "isolation" is possible to-day. Again, American isolationism has always been Europe-centred; Washington, if not the United States at large, has watched the Pacific and the Far East. From Webster and Hay to Stimson and Swanson official opinion has declared America's interests in the East, and determination to protect those interests. It was not Mr. Stimson's fault that the American protest against Japan in 1931 was left lonely and ineffective.

America has always been ready to intervene when Japanese expansion has gone too far, as with Kiaochao and Shantung, the Twenty-one Demands, Siberia, and naval parity. Mr. Peffer has even claimed that from 1915 "the chronicle of international politics in the Far East has been one of Japanese advances and American obstruction." The Open Door policy for China and past history indicate that the Roosevelt offer at Chicago, however veiled, may be very real, since America will act here when left unmoved by a European crisis. In Washington no doubt is held about Japanese breaking of the Kellogg Pact and the Nine-Power Treaty. The latter agreement in 1922 was a self-denying ordinance of the nations to give China a chance. Not even the hardiest apologist for Japan could deny that she has broken her solemn pledges of the Nine-Power Treaty. There has seldom been a stronger case for mobilising international, collective, and purposive action — with a readiness to back conciliation with the final argument.

BRITISH DAMAGE CLAIMS TO BE LODGED EARLY

Discussion And Advice In House Of Commons

CONSUL-GENERAL TO GIVE EVERY POSSIBLE HELP

London, To-day.

THE subject of damage to British property in the Shanghai area and claims for compensation was raised in the House of Commons yesterday by Mr. A. C. Moreing (Conservative, Preston).

Mr. Moreing asked the Foreign Secretary if he would instruct the Consul-General to assist to his utmost in preparation of claims for compensation by Britons, especially those of small means in the Hongkew and Yangtsepoo districts, whose property in some cases was completely destroyed.

Lord Cranborne, Under-Foreign Secretary, replying for Mr. Anthony Eden, did not doubt that the Consul-General was already doing everything in his power to assist them, and he had been instructed to give all possible help in preparation of those Britons' claims.

IMMEDIATE LODGING

Britons in those areas whose property was occupied by Japanese troops should prepare claims for compensation for any loss or damage.

Such claims might also be prepared in respect of property damaged by bombardment or in respect of losses due to denial of access to property.

All claims should immediately be lodged with the British Consul-General.

URGENT MATTER

Lord Cranborne would consider instructing the Consul-General to call the attention of these unfortunate people to the desirability of pressing their claims as soon as possible.

Asked by Mr. Lugge whether Japanese military occupation of Shanghai in any way affected the status of the International Settlement, Lord Cranborne said that the land regulations under which the status of the Settlement is governed, had been unaltered as a result of hostilities.

Excepting certain isolated incidents there had been no interference with the forces or representatives of foreign Powers.—Reuter.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN SHANSI

Nanking, To-day.

Heavy fighting is going on in North Shansi, where the Japanese troops are pushing southward along the Taiyuanfu-Lingfeng highway.

According to Chinese reports, the Chinese at present are holding a line from Changnancheng to Kiehshin south-west of Pingyao.—Reuter.

OLD STORY OF LITVINOFF REVIVED

London, To-day.

The "Daily Express" has revived the old story of the early dismissal of the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Maxim Litvinoff.

The paper connects his possible forthcoming disgrace with the arrest of the Soviet Ambassadors to Berlin, Warsaw and Ankara.

The arrests, alleges the paper, have caused "consternation" in the Russian Foreign Office as foreshadowing an extensive "purge" in Soviet diplomatic circles.—Trans-Ocean.

HAVAS MAN ORDERED OUT

Berlin, To-day.

M. Ravoux, chief correspondent of Havas, the French news agency, has been ordered by the secret police to leave Germany within three days.

The official announcement alleges that M. Ravoux "has been distinguished for some time for his particularly malicious reporting of National Socialist Germany, thus causing repeatedly the greatest chaos in Franco-German press relations."

SHANGHAI POST OFFICE INCIDENT

Shanghai, To-day.

Considerable excitement was caused in the foreign areas yesterday when a force of 60 Japanese marines of the naval landing party occupied the main Post Office, on the north bank of Soochow Creek on North Szechuen Road.

The marines were subsequently withdrawn from the building, presumably after a protest had been lodged by the foreign Powers.—Trans-Ocean.

DEATH'S TOLL ON THE ROAD

London, To-day.

Road accidents in October this year killed 618.

This figure is identically the same as the toll in October last year, and is the highest for any other month this year.—Reuter.

GERMANY ON ROAD TO REAL SOCIALISM—

AGA KHAN

London, To-day.

"Germany is on the road to realise a Socialism that other countries are content to preach about," declares the Aga Khan in a letter to the "Sunday Chronicle" on the impressions gained during his recent tour of Germany.

"If the English people would visit Germany more it would help to bring about a better understanding between the two countries.

"I am convinced that Herr Hitler, the German Government and the German people are sincere in their desire for peace which is needed for carrying out the plans of the future.

"My prayer now is that one day Germany will return to the family of the League of Nations.

"Germany is determined to remain at peace, since peace is necessary for fulfilment of Herr Hitler's plans for national reconstruction."—Trans-Ocean.

MR. EDEN'S CHILL

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary Mr. Eden who, on his arrival from Brussels, was suffering from a chill, spent the day in bed, but will, it is hoped, be able to resume his duties at the Foreign Office to-day.—British Wireless.

ENGLISHMAN HOAXES PARIS PRESS

Paris, To-day.

A practical joke played on the Paris press by an Englishman has provided the whole of the French capital with a source of considerable amusement.

All the Paris newspapers had printed stories of an endurance run by the British sportsman, Kenneth Bailey, from London to Paris on the occasion of the ending of the World Exhibition.

Numerous photographs of Bailey showing him running up and down the decks of the "Queen Mary" during the Channel crossing, lent interest to the story.

Photographs of his reception by the British delegation in front of the British Pavilion, and of curious spectators lent further authenticity to the reports.

COMPLETE HOAX

It then developed that the entire affair was a hoax, that Bailey had made the trip to Paris by boat and train, had travelled by underground to a suburb near the Exhibition, and had begun his so-called endurance race from there.

The Paris papers are now demanding in a chorus that as a penalty for his prank, Bailey be made actually to run back to London.—Trans-Ocean.

NO REPLIES TO VOLUNTEER REQUEST

London, To-day.

No replies have yet been received from either side in Spain regarding the proposals of the non-intervention committee regarding the withdrawal of volunteers.

The Chairman's sub-committee meets early this morning to receive the report of the technical experts.—British Wireless.

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Soviet Declines To Discuss Matters Raised

Tokyo, To-day.

IT is understood that Mr. Haruhiko Nishi, counsellor at the Japanese Embassy in Moscow, saw M. Kozlovsky, chief of the Far Eastern division of the Soviet Foreign Office, and pressed the Soviet Government formally to sign the fishery convention which was initialled last year.

Mr. Nishi reminded Mr. Kozlovsky that conclusion of a long-term fishery treaty was the "best measure to avert trouble between Japan and the Soviet Union."

To this Mr. Kozlovsky is stated to have given a non-committal reply, saying he was not empowered by his Government to discuss the affair.

PROTEST LODGED

Subsequently, Mr. Nishi called on Mr. Kozlovsky and protested to the Soviet Government against the "compulsory mass migration of 200,000 Korean residents from the Soviet littoral province to Turkestan, on the ground that those Koreans belong to Japanese nationality."

Mr. Kozlovsky is stated to have again given a non-committal reply.—Reuter.

ROBOT TRAFFIC CONTROL

London, To-day.

The elaborate new robot traffic control signal was inaugurated in Piccadilly Circus yesterday.—Reuter.

KING LEOPOLD'S MISSION IN ENGLAND

London, To-day.

The beat in which the King of the Belgians is travelling on his visit to Britain, will be met in mid-Channel by an air escort of nine R.A.F. planes and a flotilla of British destroyers, which will convoy the steamer to Dover.

The Belgian Ambassador and representatives of the British Government will be on the quayside to meet King Leopold, who will then travel by special train to Victoria Station, London.—Reuter.

TERMINAL AIRPORT NEAR VICTORIA

London, To-day.

Imperial Airways are building a terminal airport and administration building near Victoria Station, in London.

The airport will be elaborately equipped and will be able to handle all passenger and freight services. It is expected to be ready by the end of next year.

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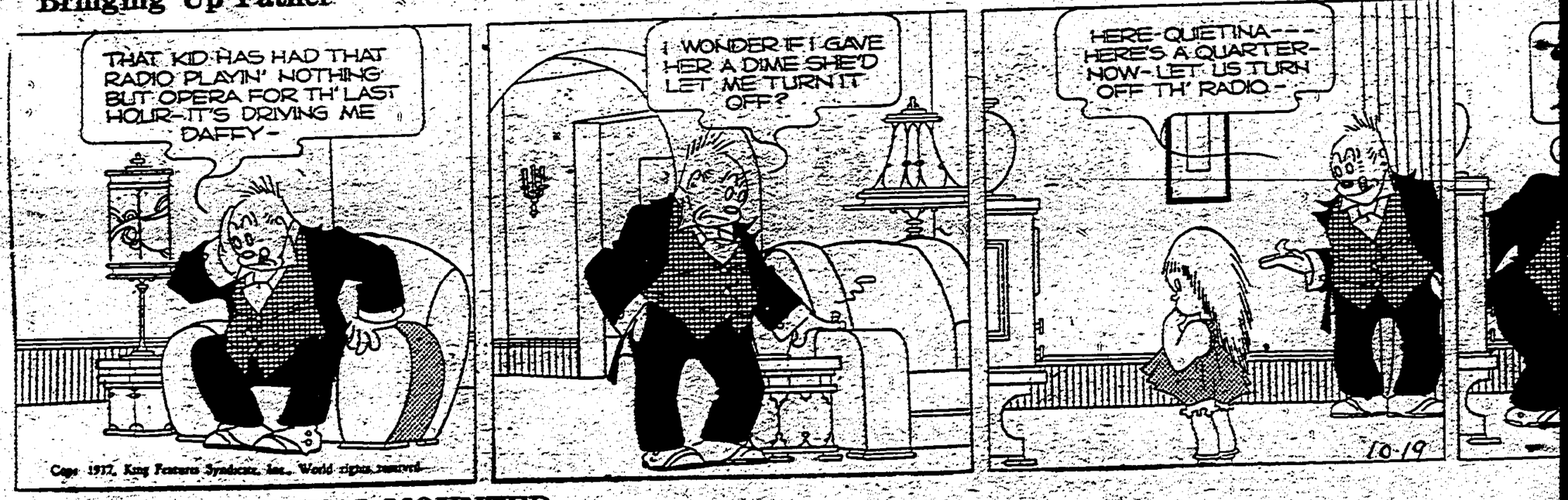

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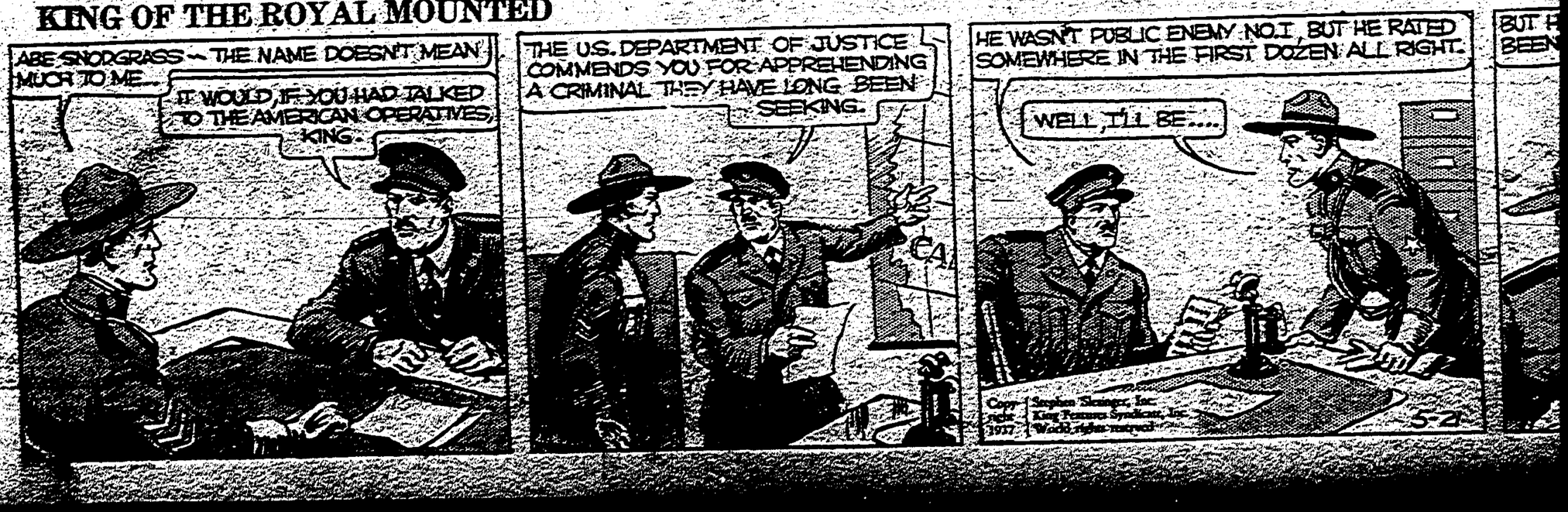

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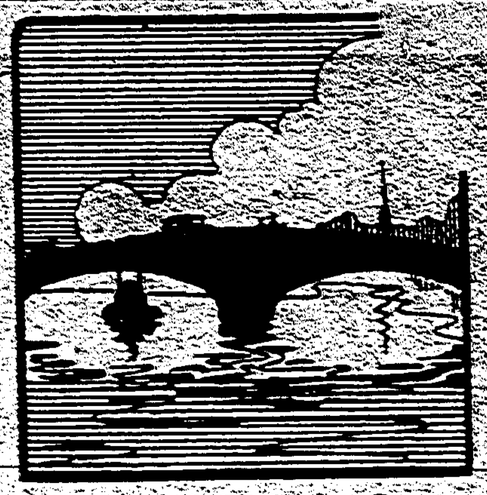

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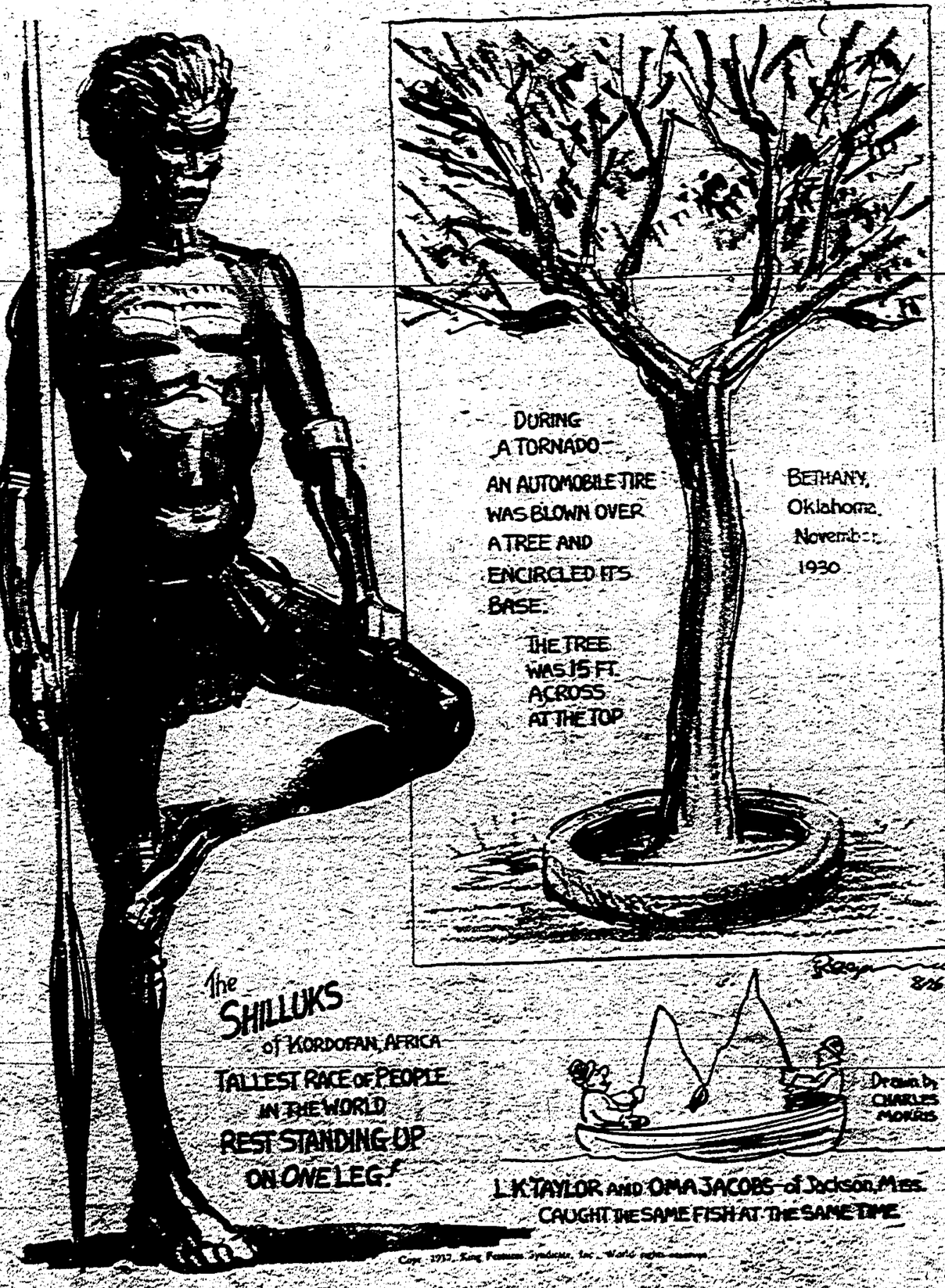

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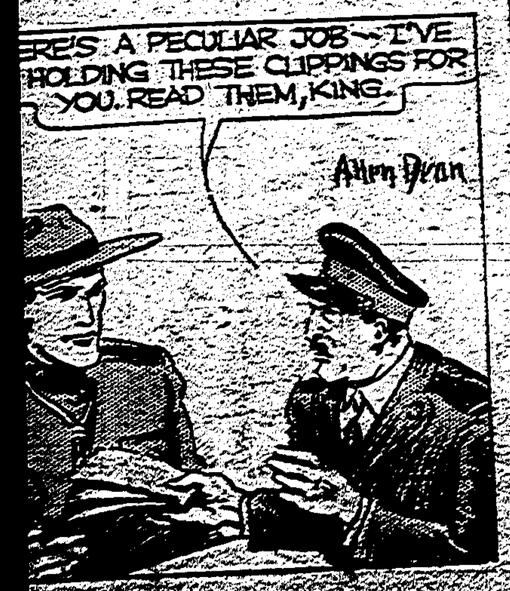

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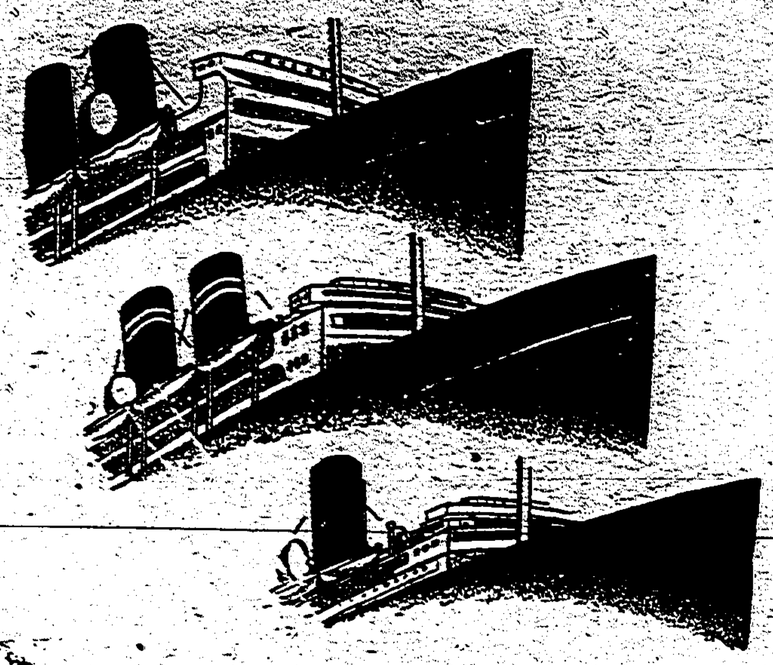

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Swatow	Hoihow	November 18.
Straits	Philoctetes	November 18.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco, 23rd October).	Pres. Harrison	November 18.
Japan	Aeneas	November 19.
Shanghai	Conte Biancamano	November 19.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (Vancouver B.C., 30th October).	Emp. of Japan	November 19.
Japan and Formosa	Hakusan Maru	November 19.
Straits	Kashima Maru	November 20.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
	Tuesday	
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongso	Tues., Nov. 16, 8.15 a.m.
Air Mail for "France Orient Service" —due Marseilles, 28th November.	Pres. Doumer	Tues., Nov. 16. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 16, 8.30 a.m. Ord., Nov. 16, 9 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, E. and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 13th December.	Pres. Doumer	Tues., Nov. 16. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 16, 9 a.m. Ord., Nov. 16, 9.30 a.m.
Air Mail for North China, Sian and Nanking (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Tues., Nov. 16. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 16, 9 a.m. Ord., Nov. 16, 9.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Mausang	Tues., Nov. 16, 10.30 a.m.
Dairen and *Canada—via Victoria B.C., 16th December	Tyndareus	Tues., Nov. 16, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai	Kaying	Tues., Nov. 16, 4.30 p.m.
	Wednesday	
Sandakan	Tai Seun Hong	Wed., Nov. 17, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Yatshing	Wed., Nov. 17, 12.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	Wed., Nov. 17, 2 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Kiungchow	Wed., Nov. 17, 3.30 p.m.
Japan	Hosang	Wed., Nov. 17, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 28th November.	Aeneas	Wed., Nov. 17. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 17, 4.30 p.m. Ord., Nov. 17, 5 p.m.
Straits and *Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 19th December—and New Year Parcels for London only —due London, 26th December.	Aeneas	Wed., Nov. 17. G.P.O. and K.P.O. Parcels, Nov. 17, Noon. Reg., Nov. 17, 5 p.m. Ord., Nov. 17, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A., by the Pan American Direct Service. (Due San Francisco, 23rd Nov.)	Pan American Airways Plane	Wed., Nov. 17. K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 17, 5 p.m. Ord., Nov. 17, 5 p.m. G.P.O. Reg., Nov. 17, 5 p.m. Ord., Nov. 18, 6 a.m.

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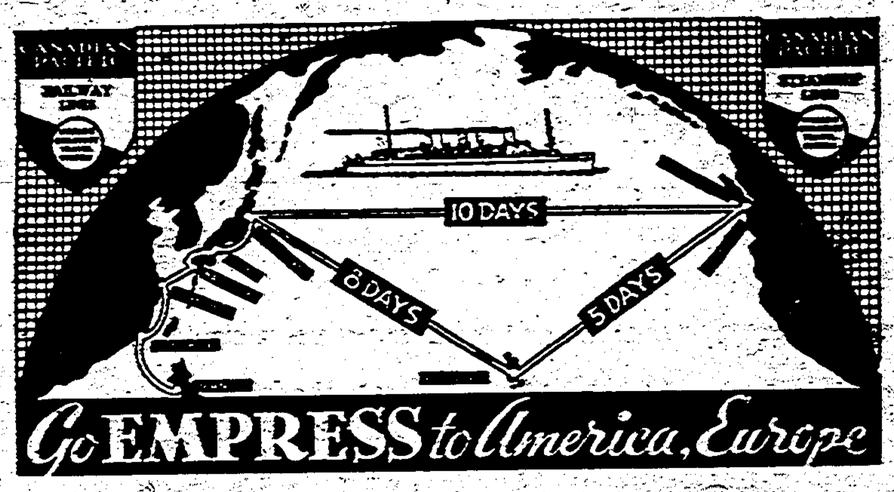

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Japan	Nov. 26	—	—	Dec. 1	Dec. 3	Dec. 9	Dec. 14
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AMERICAN INVESTMENT IN MANCHUKUO AT THIS TIME?

Tokyo, To-day.

Participation of American capital in development of Manchukuo is announced in press reports, which recall that the Japanese Government had made a strong appeal to Japanese industrial and financial circles to make every possible effort in this direction, in view of the war with China, but that Japan is financially not in a position adequately to respond to the appeal.

It is now stated that an American syndicate, to which Standard Oil, General Motors and Ford, as well as a number of banks belong, will participate with 1,020,000,000 yen in the recently formed holding company.

Japanese industry and finance will invest 500,000,000 yen in the project.

It is added that the new company will invest 500,000,000 yen in light industry, 100,000,000 yen in the iron industry and 1,000,000,000 yen in building up aeroplane and motor-car industries in Manchukuo.

TRADE FALLING OFF

In consequence of the present conflict, Japanese trade with Manchukuo showed a marked decrease in September this year compared with August, and more especially with September, 1936.

Exports from Manchukuo to Japan, which amounted to 2.75 million yuan in September, 1936, declined to 1.9 million in August, 1937, and to 1.1 million in September this year.

Value of imports into Manchukuo from Japan diminished from 4.31 million yuan in September, 1936, to about 3 millions last August and to about 2 millions in September.—Trans-Ocean.

INDIA COTTON EXPORTS TO JAPAN FALL

New Delhi, To-day

Exactly an hour after bringhas had considerable effect on the export of Indian cotton, is revealed by the export figures for September.

Export of raw cotton to Japan dropped from 16,092 tons, of a value of 9,701,824 rupees, in September last year to 2,918 tons, of a value of 1,732,383 rupees, in September, 1937.

Export of Indian raw cotton to China shows just the opposite development.

While China had bought no raw cotton from India in September last year, raw cotton exports from India to China jumped to 3,112 tons, of a value of 1,735,000 rupees, in September this year.—Trans-Ocean.

SENOR COMPANYS IN BRUSSELS

Brussels, To-day.

Senor Luis Companys, President of the Catalan Generalidad, arrived here yesterday.

Official reason for his visit is to see his son, who is lying ill in a Brussels sanatorium.

Newspaper reports, however, assert that he wishes to take advantage of the presence in Brussels of international statesmen. — Trans-Ocean.

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MISCELLANEOUS

H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 5⅞% pm. s.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 4/6d. b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-5/8 and "forward" at 19-9/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £—U.S.$4.9918 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.$4.99⅞.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs. H. B. Joseph and Co. have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Jan/March 23-¾ b. down ⅛.
April/June 24 b. down ⅛.
July/Sept. 24-¼ b. down ⅛.
Market: Dull.

AWARD FOR GALLANT SHANGHAI BOY

When a little Hungarian boy, Valentine Holdosi, set forth in the earlier stages of the Shanghai "war" to rescue a weirdly assorted selection of pets from Ford Lane, Hongkew, after a perilous trip through Pootung, his grimy face wearing a "do or die" expression, his heart set on one thing, the safety of his animal pals, he little realised that he would be the recipient of the highest award which can be given by any animal lovers' society. Word has come through to the S.S.P.C.A. that Holdosi had been granted the Wheatley Cross by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Recognition of his brave deed will not even stop at the conferring of this distinction upon the staunch little Hungarian lad. It is expected that the Humane Society, also a British institution, and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals also have something up their sleeves in the shape of awards to accompany the Wheatley Cross.

Thus an unknown urchin, with nothing except a passionate love for animals may soon be proudly wearing three medals on his diminutive breast, and hearing the appreciation of his brave deed voiced by prominent Shanghai residents.

The S.S.P.C.A. are to arrange a special ceremony for the presentation of the medals. "Virtue is its own reward" does not prove true in his instance: for the stout-hearted action of the Hungarian lad has echoed around the world, and Shanghailanders are by no means the only ones to recognise and appreciate a hero in their midst.

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REFLECTIONS ON SATURDAY'S GAME

(By "ADREM")

SPECULATION in many quarters regarding the prospects of the "Y" Ladies retaining their hard-earned crown of last season, was answered once and for all last Saturday when they played well in all departments to severely beat the highly-fancied St. Andrew's team by the decisive margin of 5 goals to nil.

THE MOST ARDENT SUPPORTERS OF THE "Y" HAVE HAD LITTLE TO ENTHUSE OVER IN THE RECENT MATCHES IN WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN ENGAGED. THEY HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY RAGGED, ESPECIALLY SO AGAINST A SHANGHAI TEAM WHICH COULD NOT BY ANY STRETCH OF IMAGINATION BE CALLED POWERFUL.

On that occasion it was their forwards who let them down, although, owing to the fact that the Shanghai team, was for the most part composed of half-backs, and those playing in the attack appeared unable to forget this and insisted on defending most of the time, the added opposition encountered by the "Y" forwards and the proportionately "soft" time experienced by their defence, may have been largely responsible for the apparent disparity in their respective forms.

RAGGED ATTACK

Nevertheless the attack has been very ragged. Probably the absence of Miss Marie Smith had a great deal to do with this. In any event, the forwards never seemed quite sure what to do with the ball when they had it—and that was quite often. The bustling methods of Miss Bloomfield and her associates, quite upset the "pretty-pretty" tactics, which usually meet with such success.

On Saturday, against a team which appeared very reluctant to tackle and when they did get as far as doing that, did it in a most half-hearted manner, the "Y" were in their element and Miss Marie Smith and Miss Marjorie Westcott must have enjoyed themselves thoroughly on the left wing.

BEST LADIES' WING

They literally did as they liked and did it very cleverly. These two have a perfect understanding and are streets ahead, as a combination, of any other wing in local Ladies' hockey. St. Andrew's half-back division had an unenviable task and were quite at a loss as to the best method of countering the lightning-like thrusts which were being continually launched by this flank.

Miss White defended stoutly, as did Miss Jessie Wong, but the remaining members of the defence were not at their best either in positioning themselves or in their tackling, which at best was very tentative and entirely lacking in confidence.

Miss Anne Fowler was a tower of strength at left-back. Miss Florrie Wong, the Saints' right-winger, did not pass her once in at least a dozen attempts. One would have thought that these experiences would have prompted her to pass as soon as she came within the proximity of Miss Fowler, especially as Miss Eva Churn, full of vitality and enthusiasm in this, her first game in the senior competition, was always in position to receive a pass.

VAST DISPARITY

Not until the game was practically over did she make any effort to send the ball into the middle, however, and by that stage, the game was won and lost.

Prior to this game, I had not realised what a vast difference there is in the standard of hockey witnessed in the Brawn Cup and Caer Clark Cup competitions. Miss E. Churn, Miss D. Drew, Miss Roberts and Miss E. Chang, playing in the Junior League last season, were ranked among the finest players participating, and, undoubtedly they were. On Saturday they were completely lost. They were far too slow when in possession and were soon made to realise that fleetness of foot is not the beginning and ending of everything connected with hockey.

RIGHT MATERIAL IN MISS CHURN

Miss Roberts, of whom I have had a high opinion, was particularly disappointing and for the most part, was completely lost. Miss Churn will improve—of that there is little doubt—she has the will to learn and will benefit by experience and I feel that Miss Gittins would be well advised to leave her in the side.

Miss Chang's game was terribly listless. On numerous occasions she allowed "Y" forwards to come, unopposed, into the circle and take their time in shooting. She must be made to realise that wherever possible, tackling must be made outside the dee and when that is impossible, the attackers harried and continually so, until the ball is either in the net or out of the danger-zone.

REFLECTIONS!

From what I learned as the result of this game I would imagine that on the form they showed, "Y" are almost certain to retain their title, while St. Andrew's will require a good deal of re-shuffling and strict coaching before they will be in a position to challenge any strong team with the success, which on paper, should attend their efforts.

An excellent action photograph of the Brawn Cup game last Saturday between the Central British Schoolgirls "A" and St. Andrew's and shows Miss M. Booker following up a loose ball with Mona Shand standing in the background. ("Mail" photo).

"STRIKING SHOTS"

(By "STICKS")

I learn that the date for the Interport contest, which was provisionally fixed for Saturday, December 11, has now been altered and that the contest will take place at a much later date by request of the Macao Hockey Club.

It appears that the Portuguese Islanders are dissatisfied with the early date as it does not give them enough time to practice or to entertain the large number of teams from the Colony before they take on the Colony's best team.

The Combined Civilians versus Combined Services match will now take place on Sunday, December 11, probably on the Club ground at King's Park. In this respect Club Hon. Secretaries are once more requested to send in the names of any of their players who are eligible to play in the Civilians' team, giving their respective positions.

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The Royal Corps of Signals met with one of their rare defeats yesterday at King's Park, when they lost to the Panthers, a Combined Submarine side, by 4 goals to 1, Lt. Donald, the Colony Interporter, leading the Panthers' attack admirably.

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Bert Lange, the European Y.M.C.A. right-half, had the misfortune last Sunday to receive facial injuries in the match against Macao. It appears that a collision with a Macao player and one of his own men resulted in the Portuguese player's stick coming into contact with the left side of his face, resulting in a black eye, several loose teeth and a cut on the left cheek and one below his lower lip. The Macao player evidently did not believe in half-measures!

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Mrs. Read, playing in the centre-forward berth for the "Y" Ladies Brawn Cup team last Saturday, against the Seaforth Ladies, was obviously out of her class, and by that I mean that she should have been playing for the first team. Come on you "Y" Lady selectors, open your eyes to something really good.

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A friend of mine who has but recently arrived from the Federated Malay States tells me that the Malayans are aching for another smack at us and that they may send a team to Hong Kong next year providing the local political atmosphere has cleared up by then. I am sure that Colony hockey enthusiasts would welcome another visit from the Malayans, bearing in mind the result of their last visit here in the 1933-34 season.

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Although the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association have drawn up their fixture list with gaps in the Caer Clark tournament from Dec. 11 to Jan. 8, and in the Brawn Cup from Dec. 11 to Jan. 8, they have evidently forgotten that the rains which usually fall early in January will probably hold up both tournaments until long after their anticipated concluding stages!

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I hear that the European Y.M.C.A. are contemplating holding their Hockey Dance at the Peninsula Hotel in the near future and that both sections, the Men's and Ladies will combine in previous seasons. These functions are very popular and if held in the Peninsula should provide a big draw.

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"The following will represent the Hong Kong Hockey Club against the Royal Navy in the first match of the Triangular Tournament on the No. 2 Navy Ground, at King's Park, tomorrow, bully off at 4.30 p.m.:—V. M. Benwell; R. L. Wallace and E. V. Reed; R. A. Bates, W. A. Reed and J. E. Potter; S. Fowler, T. Whitley, G. E. Divett (Captain); B. L. Bickford and V. Bond.

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The Combined Small Units will hold a hockey trial on the Sookunpoo ground at 4.15 p.m. on November 24 in order to select a team for the Inter-Unit Competition, and the selected team will hold its first tryout against the first team of the European Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday, November 30, on the "Y" ground.

MACAO HAVE NOT DETERIORATED

Y.M.C.A. DEFENCE WAS FINEST EVER TO VISIT ISLAND

PORTUGUESE WERE NOT AT FULL STRENGTH

MACAO CROWDS ENTHUSIASM UNABATED!

(By "STICKS")

I FEEL that the Macao Hockey Club are quite within their rights in asking for a postponement of the Interport match against the Colony, which was provisionally fixed for December 11, which is barely a month away. They have not had enough practice and, I hear on very good authority, that they are not likely to entertain the same number of Clubs from the Colony this season as in previous years, which makes their task of preparation a much more difficult one.

MACAO HAVE NOT DETERIORATED. ON THE CONTRARY THEY ARE JUST AS GOOD AS THEY ALWAYS HAVE BEEN. MANY MAY RIDICULE THIS STATEMENT WHEN THEY RECALL THAT LAST SUNDAY THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. HELD THEM TO A GOALLESS DRAW. BUT THOSE HOCKEY ENTHUSIASTS WHO WOULD NATURALLY DRAW THIS CONCLUSION, MUST NOT FORGET THAT THE "Y" HAVE NEVER BEEN REALLY STRONGLY REPRESENTED IN THE FULL-BACK-DIVISION AS THEY WERE, AND STILL ARE.

Flt. Lt. Wallace, the "Y" skipper, is undoubtedly the "find" of the season and should easily find his way into the Interport eleven in the right-back berth. I heard from more than one Macao enthusiast that Wallace's performance ranked as the best ever seen on the Island, which is saying something.

But to return to the Macao team. Almada, their Interport custodian, is still as safe as ever, and never troubled a whit about the shots directed at his charge by the "Y" forwards. R. Rosario, their right-back, is still very sound in his tactics, but it was evident during the game that he was missing the services of Geoff Lammert, the usual left-back, who was laid up with stomach trouble.

This again leads me to another interesting point. Macao were not at full-strength last Sunday as they were without the services of Lammert, F. Nolasco, their right-winger, and A. Angelo, their left-winger. Would the game have resulted in a goalless draw had these men been playing?

NO DIFFERENCE

Actually their presence last Sunday would have made little difference in the face of such strong opposition backs.

What the crux of the matter was that Wallace and L. Cox were too good for the Macao forwards, hard to believe, I know, but nevertheless true!

S. Ferreira, the reserve full-back, who will probably travel with the team to the Colony next year, was steady, and should in time develop into a sturdy defender. At the moment he is lacking in experience, having only come up against the local backs.

NOTHING WASTED

Laertes da Costa, probably the finest left-half in the Far East with the exception of Alif Din, now departed to India with the Punjab Regiment, played a true Captain's innings.

The great thing about da Costa's work is his sound constructional play. He never wasted a pass and rarely left his man, and togethe with Alex Airosa, the pivot, was among the outstanding of the Macao defenders.

Lyle, a Hong Kong Government Cadet, who played on the right-wing, is very fast and centred very accurately, although his stickwork was not quite as good as F. Nolasco's. Lyle has not paid much attention to hockey, having concentrated on Rugby and his strenuous game for the Club against the Army last Saturday probably had a tiring effect on his display the next afternoon.

L. COX'S IMPROVEMENT

A few words about the game L. Cox, who was only recently promoted to the "Y" first team, and who partnered Wallace in the full-back division, gave a splendid display and has almost eliminated that fault of his in committing sticks in the circle, or elsewhere for that matter, while J. Fox, the reserve half-back, more than justified his inclusion in the team at left-half.

A very pleasant aspect of the game last Sunday was the large attendance in spite of the November meeting of the Macao Jockey Club. The spectators were there in their hundreds and every inch of touch-line space was filled. It is a pity that hockey enthusiasts in the Colony don't turn up at our big games and give our teams the moral support which they deserve.

A fine action study of "heads to it" during the Armistice Day Charity soccer match last Thursday. Above McKusker, Pearson, Howlett and Han Chin-tao are all seen watching a high ball. ("Mail" photo).

FREE LANCES TO MAKE COURT IMPROVEMENTS

Walls To Be Draped In Green

(By "ACE")

The Free Lances are making immediate preparations to improve the conditions of their badminton court, which has been kindly lent to them for the whole season by the Seamen's Institute.

Canvas will be placed under the mat on the floor so as to prevent it slipping, as was experienced in the course of their first match last Wednesday.

A dark-green curtain has also been made to drape one end of the hall so that players may not encounter any difficulty in following the flight of the suttlecock.

The lighting system is also to be improved. The lights will be so adjusted as to throw the glare on the court instead of on the walls.

ADAMSON CUP QUALIFIER

The November qualifying competition for the Adamson Cup, held under the auspices of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club at Fanling, drew 11 entries from which R. L. Rodgers, with a score of 80-12=68 qualified. Other scores were H. A. Mills 85-16=69, A. D. Humphreys 80-9=71 and J. F. G. van Reede 92-21=71.

R.H.K.G.C. CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW

The following is the draw for the Championship of the Royal Hong-Kong Golf Club, the first round of which should be completed by Nov. 28, the second by Dec. 5, the semi-final by Dec. 12 and the final, over 36 holes on Dec. 19.

FIRST ROUND

L. R. Andrewes and E. T. McMullen.
A. E. Lissaman and W. J. S. Key.
Major Shannon and D. J. Gilmore.
O. E. C. Marton and K. S. Robertson.
T. A. Pearce and L. Newton.
D. S. Robb and I. P. Tamworth.
N. L. Smith and D. S. Edward.
Col. Blake and R. Young.

ARMY CRICKET TEAM

The following have been selected to represent the Army against the Kowloon Cricket Club at Kowloon on Saturday: Capt. J. R. Mackintosh Walker, Maj. G. P. Murray, Cpl. Jones, Bdsn. Cheney (Seaforths); Lieut. L. C. Beadnell, Lieut. M. P. Weeden, Pte. Hatfield (Middlesex); Lieut. C. E. Godby (R.A.), Lieut. R. A. Barron (R.E.), Sgt. Partridge (R.A.O.C.), Sgtt. Jackson (R.W.F.).

The annual sports between H.M.S. Rainbow and the R.A.O.C. ended on Sunday when, as the result of the football match, the Ordnance secured the Cup when they won by the odd goal in nine.

In the evening the tournament was brought to a close when an indoor games competition was held. Cribbage, darts and table tennis were keenly contested.

JAMES BRADDOCK IS NOW A HAPPY MAN

HE HAS DINNER AT HOME EVERY NIGHT

(By JIM DONALD)

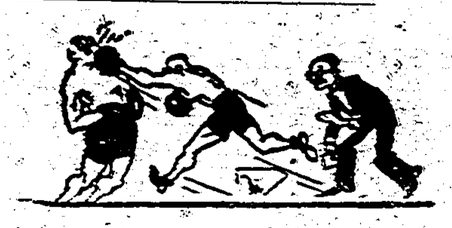
Sydney.

James J. Braddock, former heavyweight champion, is content with his lot. "I was never really happy when I held the title," said Braddock. You see, Jim was thoroughly domesticated. A home-loving man, completely wrapped up in his family. Its bosom was his world. He never was dazed by the glare that beat on him when he was champion. He never "went Broadway," or Hollywood, or haywire. He was the same steady, old reliable, who had once starved in Central Park.

He took the social obligations of a champion calmly. But they encroached on his privacy. His time was not his own "I don't think I've had three nights at home since I won the title," he said. But he longed for less crowded days and nights. For a simpler way of living. There was his first New Year's Eve as champion. He was sitting in a fashionable night club, the centre of a hero worshipping crowd. Champagne flowed. A gilt paper crown was on his head. "A bit different from New Year's Eve last year, Jim?" somebody said.

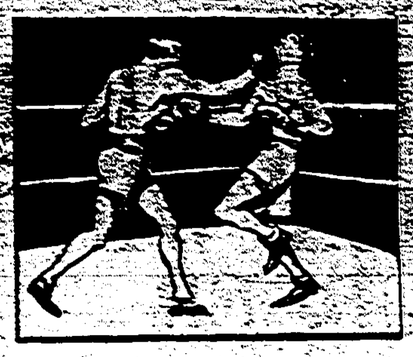
"I'll say," replied Joe Gould, Braddock's manager. "We were over in a little joint in Jersey City. Jim and his missus and me and my missus. We had some sandwiches and a few bottles of beer." "That wasn't so bad," Braddock said. Braddock was a popular and obliging champion.

Somebody always wanted him to go some place. A luncheon; a dinner; a benefit Somewhere. He always obliged. He was constantly on parade. Occasionally at long intervals he sneaked a night off to take his wife to the pictures.



KIDDIES MISSED HIM

His kiddies missed their beloved daddy. Braddock hated it all, but he was in the Bally-hoo—it was his duty to be seen and heard. He was heavyweight champion of the world. He couldn't have a moment to himself. Well those days and nights are over.



Joe Louis is champion now, and the crowd runs after Louis. Braddock is back in the bosom of his family.

He has dinner at home every night. He takes the missus and kids to the pictures. He is well set financially. Jim puts on the old comfortable slippers, takes the easy chair, lights the old pipe, and reads the papers. He is content.

ENJOY FREEDOM

Braddock and Joe Gould enjoy their freedom. They can go and eat steak and drink beer in a restaurant without looking at their watches, and then having to jump up and run off to keep a social date.

Braddock lost the title, and regained his peace of mind.

He is no longer a stranger to his own family.

There are no claims on his time. He is a happy man.

TENNIS ACES TO PLAY HERE

Germans Arriving On Nov. 25

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, Henner Henkel and Fraulien Horn the German tennis aces, are due to arrive in Hong Kong on Thursday, November 25, and will be seen in action on the Hong Kong Cricket Club tennis courts the following day.

On their way to Australia, the players are travelling on board the Kamo Maru, and their stay in the Colony will be short. However, an exhibition will be given but whether it will be played among themselves or whether local players will take part is not yet known. Mr. Kleinschroth, the manager of the teams, is also a keen tennis player and might participate in the exhibition.

RECREIO "B" DEFEAT ST. ANDREW'S

Fincher And Bliss Win Two Games

St. Andrew's lost at home to Recreio "B" by 5 sets to 4.

F. A. Broadbridge and F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's).
lose to L. A. Silva and A. E. Xavier 21-24;
lost to A. M. Rodrigues and E. de Sousa 9-20;
lost to C. N. da Silva and M. M. Soares 10-21.

E. F. Fincher and A. S. Bliss (St. Andrew's).
beat Silva and Xavier 23-20;
lost to Rodrigues and Sousa 21-23;
beat Silva and Soares 20-8.

W. C. Choy and H. Kew (St. Andrew's).
beat Silva and Xavier 21-17;
lost to Rodrigues and Sousa 14-21;
beat Silva and Soares 21-11.

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SOUTH AFRICA WIN RUGBY RUBBER

LOCHNER METEORIC IN MAKING OPENINGS

FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND PAY £11,000 AT THE GATES

Auckland, October 1.

THE South Africans capped the New Zealand tour on Saturday at Auckland. In perfect weather, and on a favourable field, 55,000 watched them eclipse New Zealand back and forward, and go on to victory by 17 to 6—five tries to nil! Thus Philip Nel and his men take the Rugby honours for 1937, with two wins in the three Tests. They are generally ranked as the greatest Rugby team to ever visit New Zealand.

PUBLIC INTEREST REACHED HEIGHTS UNPARALLELED. GOOD JUDGES OF RUGBY, THE CROWDS WERE EARLY IMPRESSED BY THE DOMINANCE OF THE SOUTH AFRICANS. THEIR PLAUDITS AS CONNOISSEURS WERE RAISED FOR THE TIT-BITS BY THE VISITORS, WITH ONLY AN OCCASIONAL THUNDER FOR THE ALL BLACKS.

At the end, not a discordant voice questioned the supremacy of South Africa. Back and forward the home team was conquered—subdued. It was complete, emphatic—never more so in a Test in which New Zealanders were the defeated. They are not to be compared with some All Black teams. Financially, the tour was successful beyond dreams. Approximately £28,000 was taken at the three Tests.

Nel won the toss from King, the New Zealand captain, and South Africa played with the sun at their backs. A light breeze across the field assisted neither side.

Within five minutes of the kick-off South Africa had scored a concerted try. The manner in which it was gained was ominous for New Zealand—the home backs were poured through. The scrummagers heeled and Craven whipped a long pass out to Harris, the five-eighth. By a quick movement it went on to Lochner, the centre, who cut in sharply and made the opening for Babrow, to whom he sent the ball. Moving very fast Babrow went over wide out—too wide for Brand to convert. South Africa, 3 to nil, with New Zealand's backs beaten as clean as a wisp.

With South Africa territorially in the ascendant for the next fifteen minutes the scores were unchanged. Their front row was getting the ball oftener and holding their own on the line-out. Gradually the huge Springbok pack dominated. They very early took the scrummage in preference to the line-out.

The New Zealanders were playing without anything like the concertedness of the tourists. When a South African passing attack closed with Babrow centre-kicking, the ball bounced among four New Zealanders near goal. It eluded them and Bergh, following up in the centre, dived on it near the goal-posts to score the second try. Brand converted it and South Africa led 8 to nil. This try was a facer for the crowd.

Before half-time Trevarthan kicked a very good penalty goal from fifteen yards outside the 25. At the interval South Africa led 8 to 3, having scored two tries and a goal to the penalty.

LOOKED WINNERS

The New Zealanders for a brief period rose to their best. They attacked hotly and Hooper narrowly missed a goal. When the spell ended, however, the South Africans looked very sure winners. A tremendous change would have been necessary in teamwork, backing-up, catching the ball, and speed of the New Zealand backs to bring them into line with the flying Springboks so well served by their heavy clever pack. The New Zealand forwards showed little of their old mobility.

OUTPLAYED AND FUTILE

Outplayed in every department, the New Zealanders were futile. Never was an international more easily won. The five tries, one converted, against two penalty goals, tell the story of the most disastrous New Zealand defeat in history.

The All Black insides were weak, with the tackling woeful. Mitchell, injured early, was not in the picture.

The All Blacks never had a chance on attack. The Springboks' spectacular movements became monotonous. The backs functioned with regularity

Harris as five-eighth was outstanding. Next to him were Craven, the half-back, and Babrow, Turner, and Williams, Strachan and Bergh excelled in the forwards.

Taylor, full-back, Reid and King were New Zealand's best. The spirit of the game was excellent.

SCORES IN THE TESTS

Won by	South Africa					N. Zealand				
	Pts	T	G2	G3	G4	Pts	T	G2	G3	G4
N.Z.	7	1	0	0	1	13	1	0	2	1
S.A.	13	2	2	1	0	6	2	0	0	0
S.A.	17	5	1	0	0	6	0	0	2	0

Summary:—South Africa won 2 and lost 1, and scored 37 points (8 tries, 3 goals, 1 penalty, and a field goal), to 25 (3 tries, 4 penalties, and 1 field goal).

Turner, Williams, and Babrow each scored 2 tries, and Bastard and Berg one each. Brand kicked 3 goals and a penalty, and White a field goal for South Africa.

Including the third Test South Africans won 15 matches and lost one in New Zealand. They scored 397 points to 98 with 83 tries to 17, 46 goals to 3, 12 penalty goals to 11, and 5 field goals to 2.

VON CRAMM IN CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL

Osaka, To-day.

Baron Gottfried von Cramm and Herr Henkel, the German tennis aces, yesterday beat the Japanese semi-finals of the Men's Doubles pair, Behara and Horiko, in the Japanese Championship.

Scores in the Germans' favour were 6-3, 6-1 and 6-3.—Trans-Ocean.

The other semi-finalists are Yamagishi and Murakami, who beat Abe and Kawati, 6—3, 2—6, 7—5, 3—6, 6—4. They will meet Von Cramm and Henkel in the final this afternoon.

Von Cramm and his party are sailing from Nagasaki for Hong Kong on November 20.—Our Own Correspondent.

World Chess Title

The Hague, To-day.

Dr. Alekhine, the challenger, leads Dr. Euwe, the holder, in their world championship chess contest by 9½ points to 7½.—Trans-Ocean.

NAVY TO MEET ARMY AT RUGBY TO-DAY

Close Struggle Anticipated

An excellent Rugby match should be witnessed on the Royal Navy ground at Causeway Bay to-morrow when the Royal Navy will entertain the Army first fifteen, (minus Cpl. Harrison, who is shortly leaving for Home) which beat the Club last Saturday.

The Navy have made several changes and Lt. Webster, an Navy "Cap" will be scrum-half instead of Lt. Talbot, who played for them in their first two successful encounters against the Club. Lt. Elliot, the former England stand-off-half will be an absentee.

Royal Navy:—Sub.-Lt. Ellis (Medway); Lt. Walters (Olympus), P. O. Asquith (Dainty), Lt. Harvey (Odin) (Captain) and Sub.-Lt. Kyrke (Regent); Sub.-Lt. Potter (Diana) and Lt. Webster (Grampus); S. B. A. Stoker (Medway), Sig. Ford (Tamar), A. B. Remans (Eagle); Sub.-Lt. Anderson (Olympus), Lt. Maydon (Orpheus), Lt. Woods (Grampus), A. B. Thatcher (Eagle) and Lt. Ogle (Phoenix).

Army XV:—Fus. Ayrton; Pte. Peachey, Capt. Maisey, 2/Lt. Gudgeon and 2/Lt. Chiverall; Pte. Rainey and Sgt. Bailey; Pte. Boasted, Pte. Knowles, Spr. Rumball; Lt. Maclagan, Lt. Crawford, Gnr. Hall, Capt. R. D. Gillespie (Captain) and L/Cpl. Burrell.

C.S.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT RESULTS

A very successful tennis tournament was held at the Civil Service C.C. on Sunday. Prizes were won by Mrs. P. Hudson, Mrs. J. Pengelly, Mr. I. Agafuroff and Mr. E. Bradshaw. The Club hopes to hold these tournaments every alternate Sunday during the winter.

CHINESE "Y" OVERWHELM 'VARSITY "B"

PATRICK WONG STILL OUR BEST PLAYER

The Chinese Young Men's Christian Association swamped the University "B" by nine sets to nil in their first encounter in the "A" Division, of the Men's Doubles Badminton League at the Eu Tong Sen Gymnasium, yesterday evening.

The University "B" brought the best of their talent into action but their standard of play was not up to that of their visitors.

Last night's match did not see the Chinese "Y" at their best for they were only an experimental side. C. E. Chng, who last season paired with Partrick Wong, was supported by a newcomer to the League in Y. C. Au.

Chng appeared to be off form and as a result the two players failed to combine effectively.

INACCURATE

Au was hard hitting but inaccurate. In their first set against K. H. Goh and C. S. Luke, they were almost beaten. The losers were leading by 19—16, but Au saved the set and the score was eventually taken to 21—18.

Patrick Wong, the Colony Singles Champion, was partnered with M. K. Lim, another newcomer, and again clearly demonstrated that he was master of the game, his drop shots and baseline shots being executed with perfect skill.

GOOD RECOVERY

F. Koh and his brother, H. Koh, started off carelessly and were in danger of losing two of their sets. Federick Koh, however, and carrying the burden of attack managed to secure all three sets.

The undergraduates put up a very stiff fight, their outstanding pair being K. H. Goh and C. S. Luke, who played a very enterprising game, especially the latter. A. K. Phang and S. K. Lim were not so effective as last week. M. S. Lim and H. P. Ong were hopelessly off form and could do nothing right.

CHINESE "Y" SWAMP 'VARSITY "B"

K. H. Goh and C. S. Luke (University "B").
lost to C. E. Chng and Y. C. Au 18–21
lost to P. H. Wong and M. K. Lim 17–21
lost to F. Koh and H. Koh 21–24

A. K. Phang and S. K. Lim (University "B").
lost to Chng and Au 12–21
lost to Wong and Lim 8–21
lost to Koh and Koh 22–23

M. S. Lim and H. P. Ong (University "B").
lost to Chng and Au 2–21
lost to Wong and Lim 2–21
lost to Koh and Koh 10–21

From Here And There

I learn that Mrs. C. Gunby, prominent centre-half of the Seaforth Ladies' hockey team, has attracted considerable attention by her splendid displays in recent matches. Mrs. Gunby is also a very keen tennis player. In partnership with L/Cpl. Cook she recently won the Regimental Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, and while in Egypt she and Drum-Major Wilkie were runners-up in the tennis tournament run by the regiment there about two years ago.

Miss Yeung Sau-king, it is rumoured, intends to give up swimming next season, and give more time to her studies. She, however, declines to confirm or deny the report.

B. G. Baker, of the Police Recreation Club, will shortly meet either Dansbrowsky or C. Pike in the Final of the Club Singles Tennis Championship. Baker beat Gough in the First Round, Smith in the Second Round, and Hayward in the Semi-Final Round.

J. L. Faro and M. E. Purvis recently won the Civil Service Cricket Club Lawn Bowls Pairs Championship.

Sungkiang Bombing Horrors Told By Foreigner

A vivid eye-witness account of the ruthless bombing by Japanese planes of the peaceful defenceless city of Sungkiang, has been given in Shanghai by a foreigner, Mr. T. M. Hartford, who was in the city at the time and saw the hail of bombs fall upon the city.

The planes, he stated, bombed both the business and residential districts of Sungkiang, not once but more than a half-dozen times in as many days. Every day for almost one week, Mr. Hartford declared, the Japanese bombers visited the city with their missiles of death and destruction. The aviators, he declared, seemed determined to destroy all public and educational buildings.

Mr. Hartford, describing the bombings, said:

"On October 29, shortly before 8 a.m., two unusually large planes visited the city, circled about for a few minutes, then dropped a total of six bombs. Not a great deal of damage was done on that occasion, due to the fact that the aim of the bombers was poor and the majority of the missiles fell into open spaces.

AIMED AT BUSINESS CENTRE

"One hour later the terrified residents ran for the nearest shelter when nine Japanese bombing planes appeared. They had as their objectives, it was apparent, the city government buildings and the business centre. No less than 60 death-dealing bombs were dropped and the dead and dying littered the streets.

"I saw the entire Huang family, four in number, all Christian Chinese, praying in the open street when a bomb struck not five feet from them. They were blown to bits. A young girl with both legs and a portion of her face blown off dragged her mangled body from the debris of her home and attempted to give aid to her little brother, who was lying in a dying condition on the street. Both succumbed from their terrible injuries."

Eventually, said Mr. Hartford, the nine bombers left the vicinity of the city and the terror-stricken people began the work of clearing away the debris and removing the dead and ministering to the wounded. This work, however, had hardly got well under way when three Japanese planes, all bombers, were heard overhead. They headed for the Mission compound of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which is American-owned and over which flew the American flag.

TAKE REFUGE IN DUGOUTS

"A considerable number of persons, foreign and Chinese, were at the compound," said Mr. Hartford, "but we were unable to warn them as the telephone lines were down as the result of the previous bombings. Fortunately, the persons within the mission compound heard the planes and quickly took the best available cover, the majority seeking refuge in the dugouts, which had been previously prepared in anticipation of a raid.

"It was clear that the mission was the objective of the aviators for they circled the property three times, then dropped their bombs.

"The bombers formed a straight line, each dropping two bombs the first time, then returning to the scene to drop more. In all, about a dozen of the missiles were dropped within the mission compound and on the campus of the girls' school. The latter is an institution conducted by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

BOMBS WERE INCENDIARY

"There is no doubt but that the bombs dropped near the school were of the indendiary type for the immediately set of the building on fire. The flames quickly spread to adjoining buildings of the school, the principal structures going up in flames, despite heroic efforts to check out the blaze.

"One missile landed in front of the home of the Rev. W. B. Burke, who was absent from the city at the time. The residence was badly damaged. The quarters of the servants also were damaged or entirely destroyed and several of the latter were killed and many injured."

The missionaries in Sungkiang, Mr. Hartford declared, are at loss to explain the attack upon the Ameri-

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can mission property by the bombers, it being stressed that at no time has the mission property been utilised by the Chinese military. Then, too, he stated large American flags easily visible from the air, fly over the property.

As the result of the repeated bombings, the foreigner stated, large numbers of residents of Sungkiang have fled to the countryside for safety. One party of Sungkiang residents, departing the city hastily by motor car, had a close call when a Japanese plane swooped low and opened up on the car with a machine gun.

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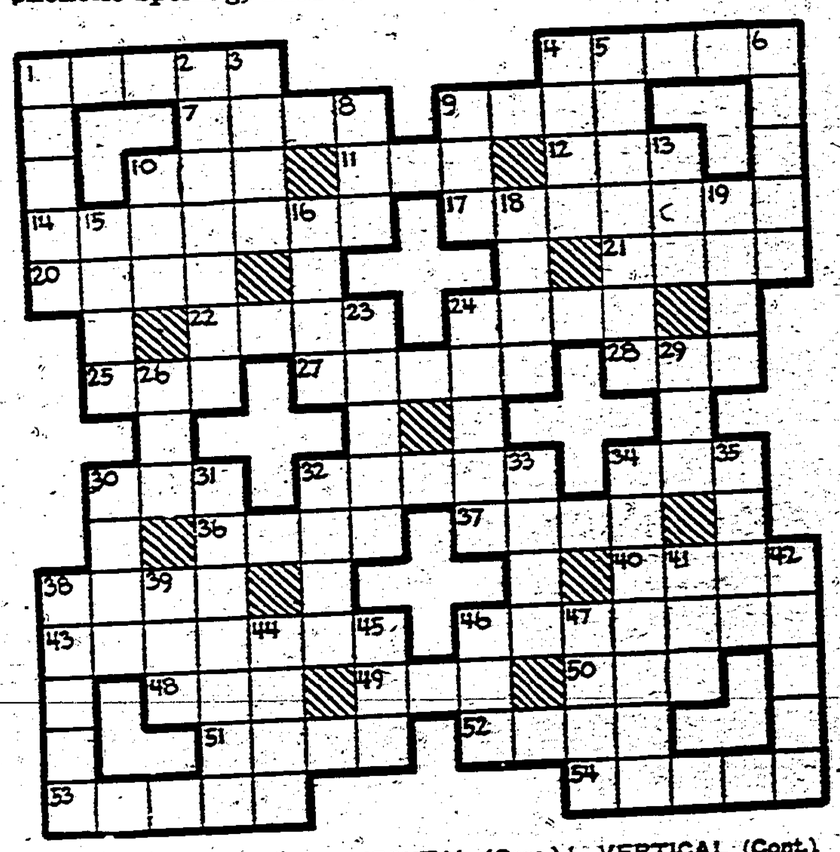

HORIZONTAL

1–Subject of discourse
4–Liberated
7–Small particle
9–Part for one
10–Man's name
11–Writing fluid
12–Note in Guido's scale
14–Rooks (Chess)
17–Produced
20–Scottish language
21–Corn-spikes
22–Recline
24–Indigent
25–Affirmative reply
27–Drill
28–Japanese coin
30–Mischievous child
32–Alcoholic beverage (pl.)
34–From
36–Discharge
37–Percolate
38–Howl

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

40–Combining form. Equal
43–Chosen
46–Marked with an asterisk
48–Golf mound
49–Unit
50–Fondle
51–Claw
52–Pitch
53–Short gaiters
54–The natural fat

VERTICAL

1–Track
2–Conquers
3–And others (Lat.)
4–Seek safety in flight
5–Devices for reducing friction
6–Acts
8–Prefix. Wrong
9–The firmament
10–Equine quadruped

VERTICAL (Cont.)

13–Girl's name
15–Armed land force
16–The Orient
18–Press
19–Ireland
23–Characteristic
24–Longs wearyingly for
26–Shade tree
29–Fairy
30–Image
31–By the hundred
32–Having breadth
33–Rest
34–Tyrannize over
35–Conflagration
38–Tears
39–Of age (Lat. abbr.)
41–Craft
42–Loiterer
44–Afternoon parties
45–Monetary unit (abbr.)
46–Series
47–Altar end of a church

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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

NETHERLAND DENIAL OF DEFENCE PACT

The Hague, To-day.

The Netherlands Foreign Ministry yesterday issued a categorical denial of the report published by the "Sunday Times" in London that an agreement had been reached between Britain and the Netherlands for co-operation in defence of their Far Eastern possessions.

A high official of the Ministry told Trans-Ocean that this assertion recurred periodically.

Only a year ago, he said, the Netherlands Government had been obliged energetically to deny a similar report, and "we can but repeat to-day that this latest rumour is also devoid of foundation."

An arrangement such as that mentioned by the "Sunday Times" would be entirely contrary to the policy of independence invariably pursued by the Netherlands Government.

It is recalled in this connection that the Netherlands has never yet concluded political treaties with other States, and that there is no intention on her part of entering into any such pacts in future. — Trans-Ocean.

The R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Nagasaki yesterday at 1.00 p.m.

SHIPOWNERS ON TRIAL IN HAMBURG

Hamburg, To-day.

The trial began here yesterday before the Special Court of Arnold Bernstein, the shipowner, who is charged with having committed criminal offences amounting to treason by violating the stipulations of the German law on foreign exchange.

A number of directors and employees of Bernstein's company are also appearing in the dock charged with the same offence.

Bernstein, who is 49 years of age, had a distinguished War career, having served as an artillery officer.

The trial is expected to last about three weeks.

Main charge against Bernstein is that on June 1, 1933, he did possess foreign exchange abroad and did fail to report same to the fiscal authorities within the prescribed term.—Trans-Ocean.

Consistory Court At Vatican

Rome, To-day.

That the Pope will convene the Consistory Court for December 13 and 16, in order to nominate a limited number of new Cardinals, now seems certain, says a report in "Giornale d'Italia." — Trans-Ocean.

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The document is believed to state that General Franco is prepared to offer the British Government facilities as far as lies in his power for realisation of the plans for withdrawal of foreign volunteers. — Trans-Ocean.

ANGLO-AUSTRIAN DISCUSSIONS

London, To-day.

Important Anglo-Austrian financial discussions are in the offing, according to the "Evening Standard" yesterday.

The paper says that the Austrian Finance Minister, Dr. Neumayer, plans to visit London shortly to conduct negotiations with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, and leading London bankers.

Dr. Neumayer will be accompanied by Dr. Kienboeck, President of the Austrian National Bank. — Trans-Ocean.

RUMANIA CABINET CRISIS NOT OVER

Bucharest, To-day.

The Rumanian Parliament met yesterday but adjourned after a few minutes until next Monday.

The Cabinet crisis is still not over, with the Premier, M. Tatarescu, engaged in endeavouring to form a new Cabinet. — Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai, To-day.

Half of Ningpo's population of 750,000 has moved into the country for fear of air bombing, according to a British missionary who has just arrived in Shanghai.

He says that on Nov. 12 Ningpo was subjected to two raids but the Japanese planes concentrated their attack on the railway station shed and the bus station.

One hundred houses near the railway station were demolished, and altogether about 150 killed and wounded.

About 50 foreigners are remaining in Ningpo, of whom about five are British business men and ten missionaries, including three women, belonging to the Church Missionary Society.

The mission property is undamaged except for windows broken as the result of concussion. — Reuter.

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